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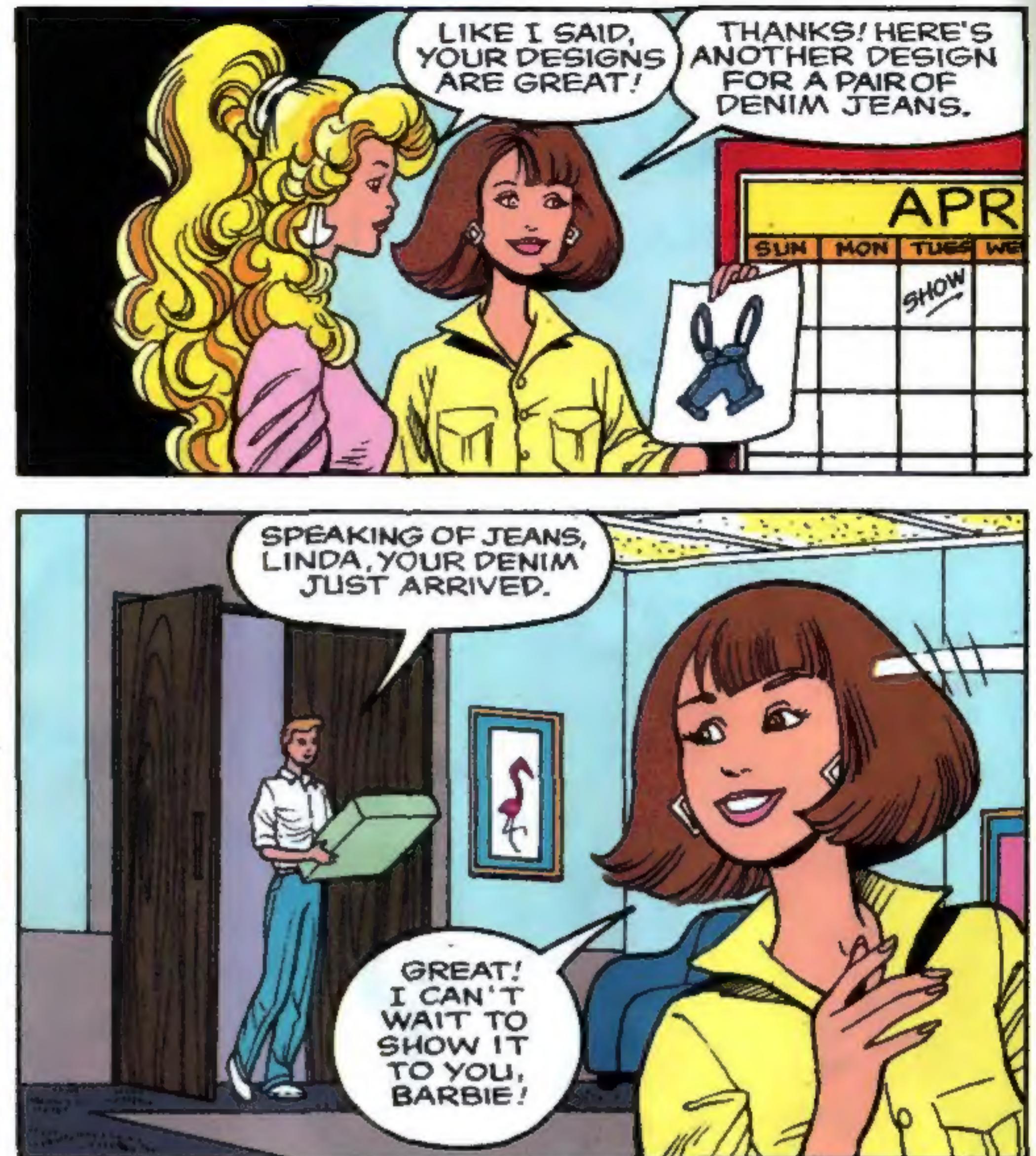
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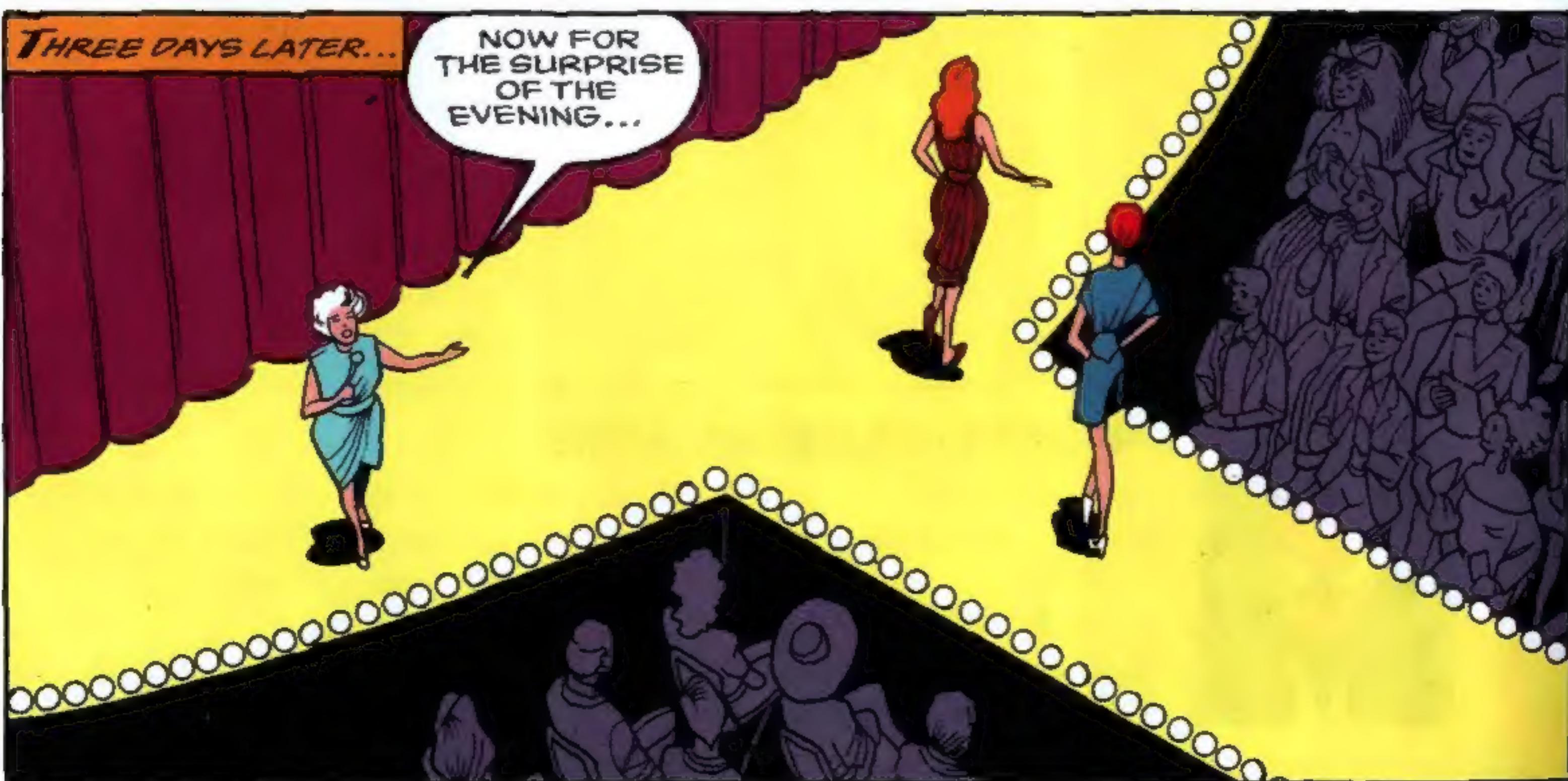
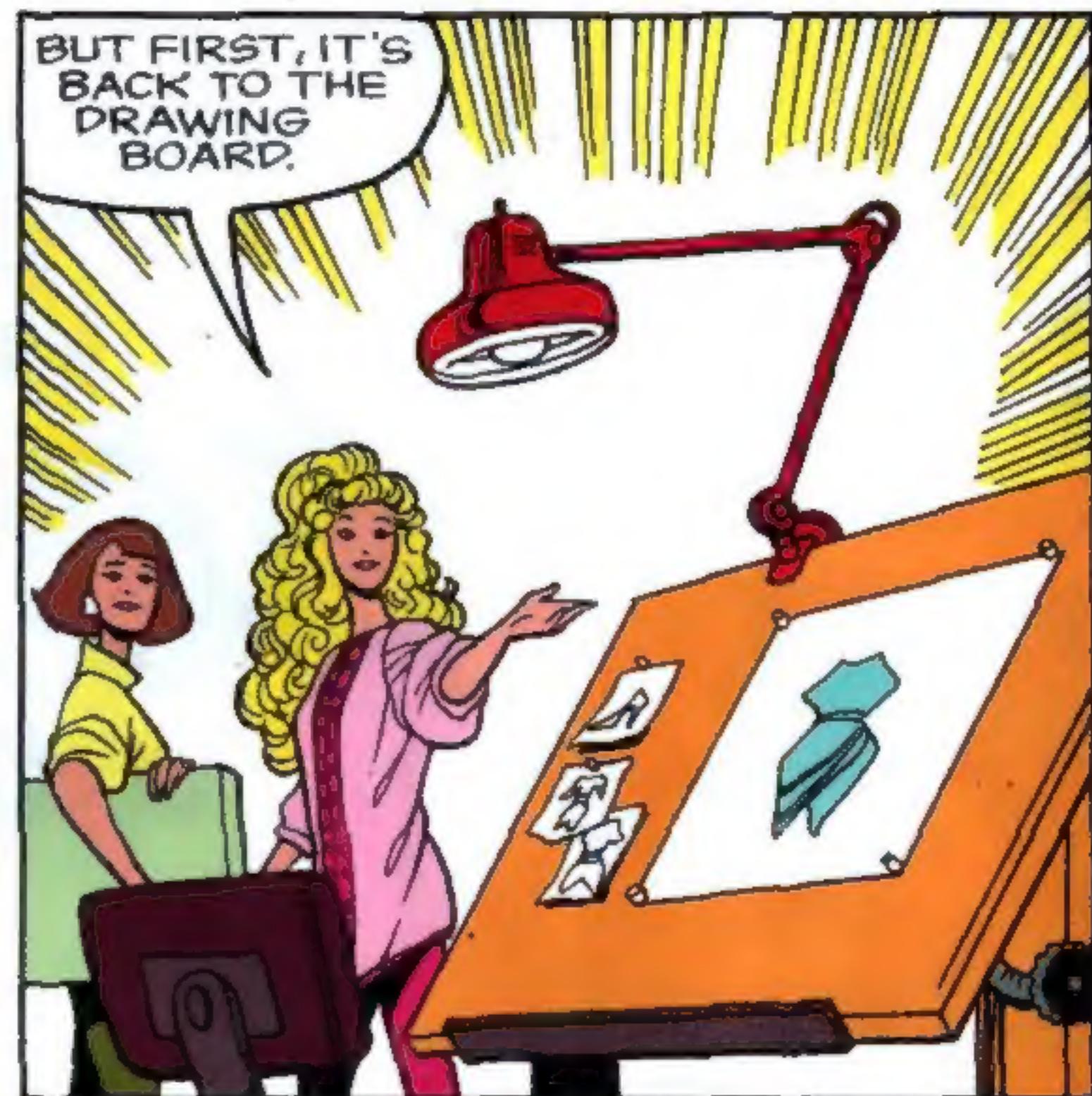
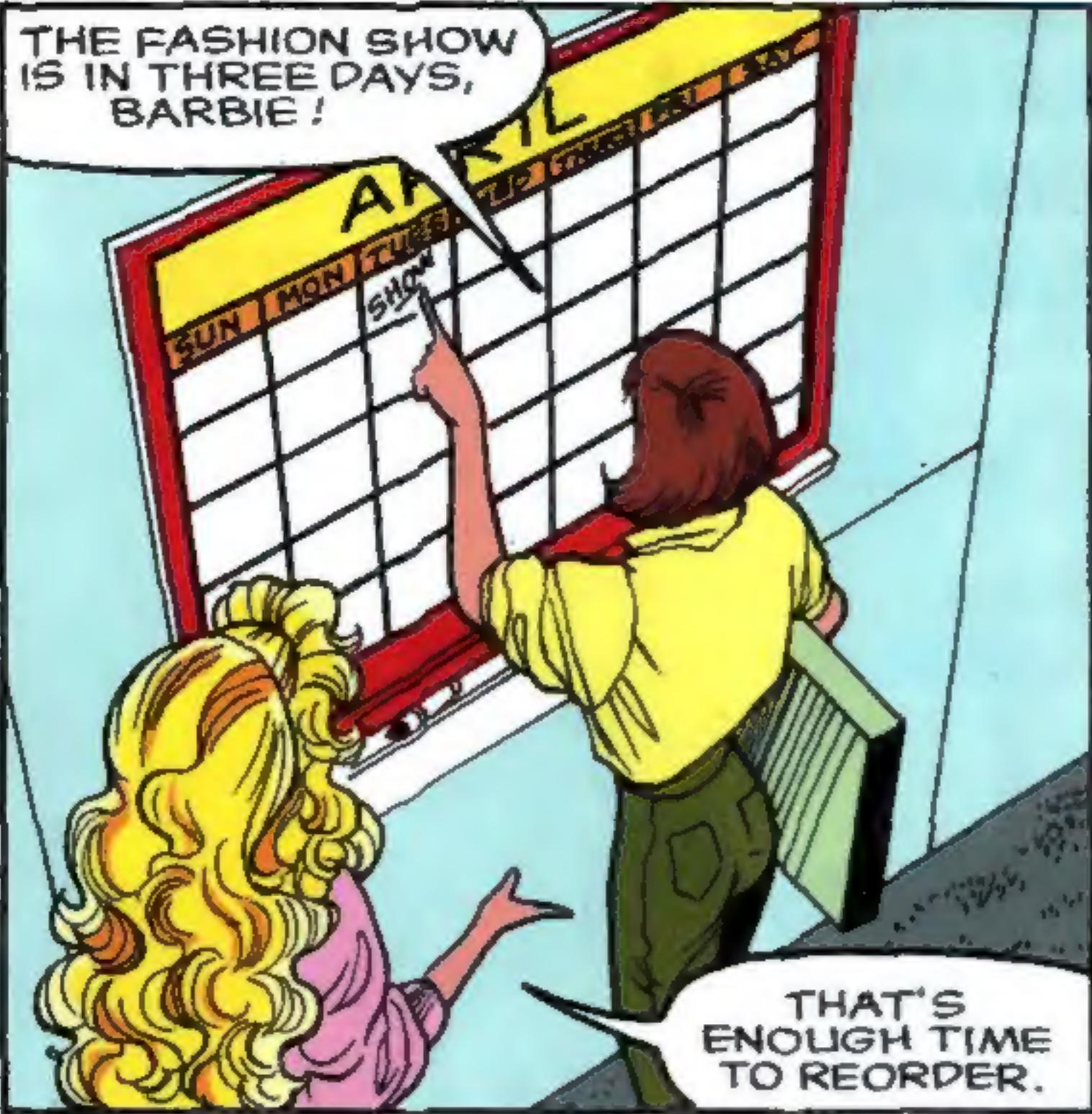
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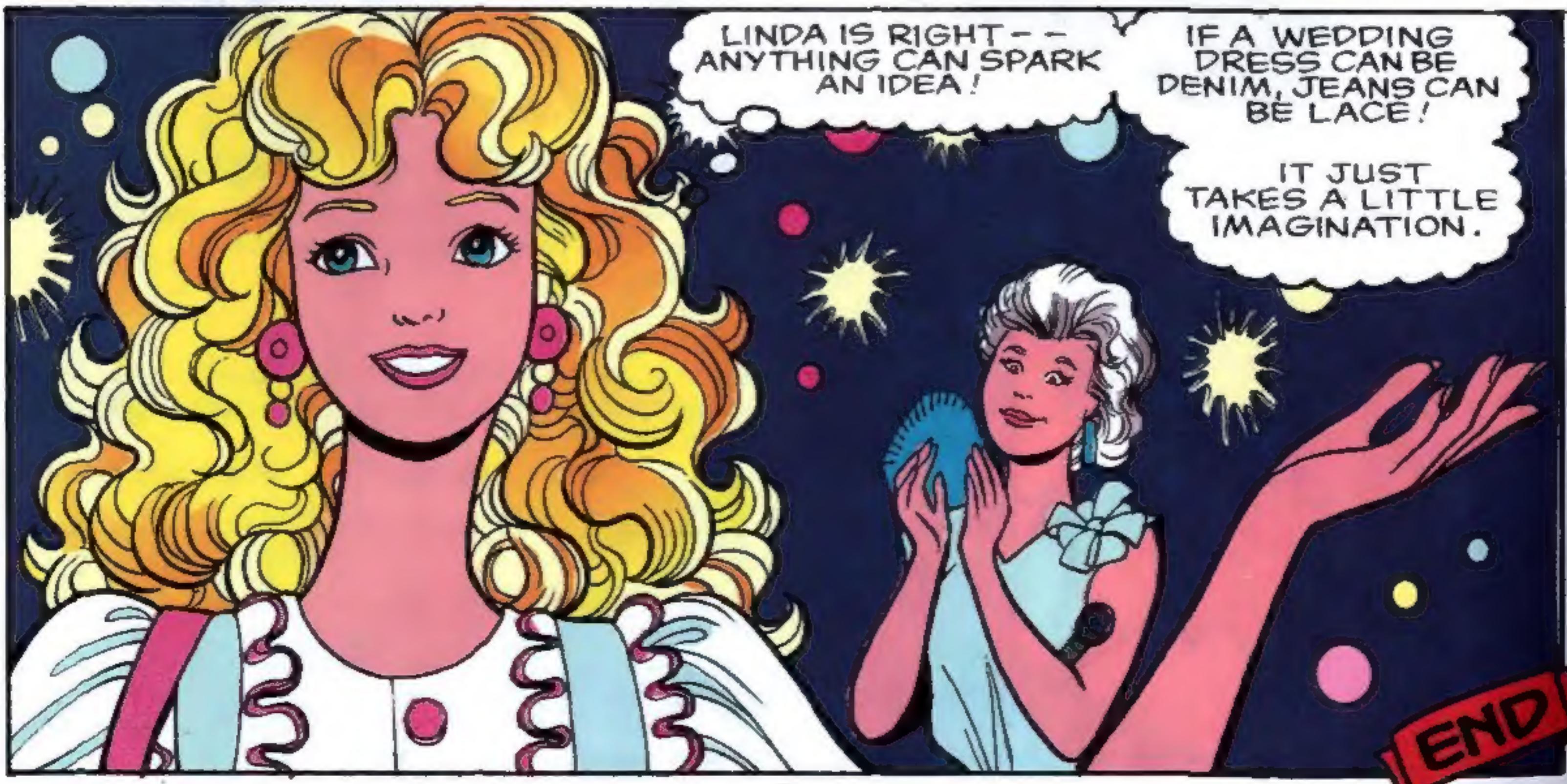
**...LACE  
JEANS!  
WHO WOULD  
HAVE THOUGHT  
OF IT?**



LINDA IS RIGHT --  
ANYTHING CAN SPARK  
AN IDEA!

IF A WEDDING  
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DENIM, JEANS CAN  
BE LACE!

IT JUST  
TAKES A LITTLE  
IMAGINATION.



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# TOP SHOP

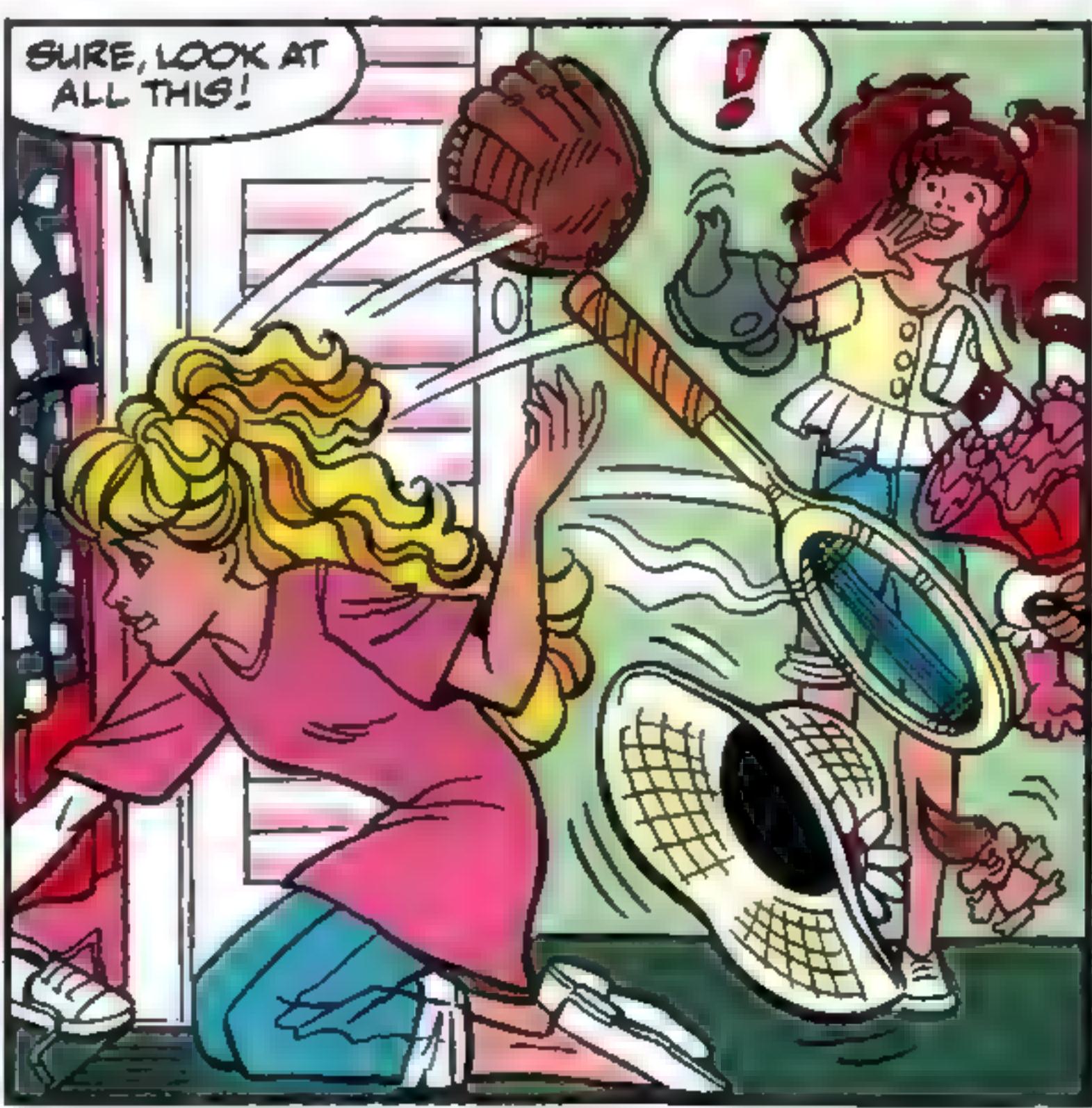
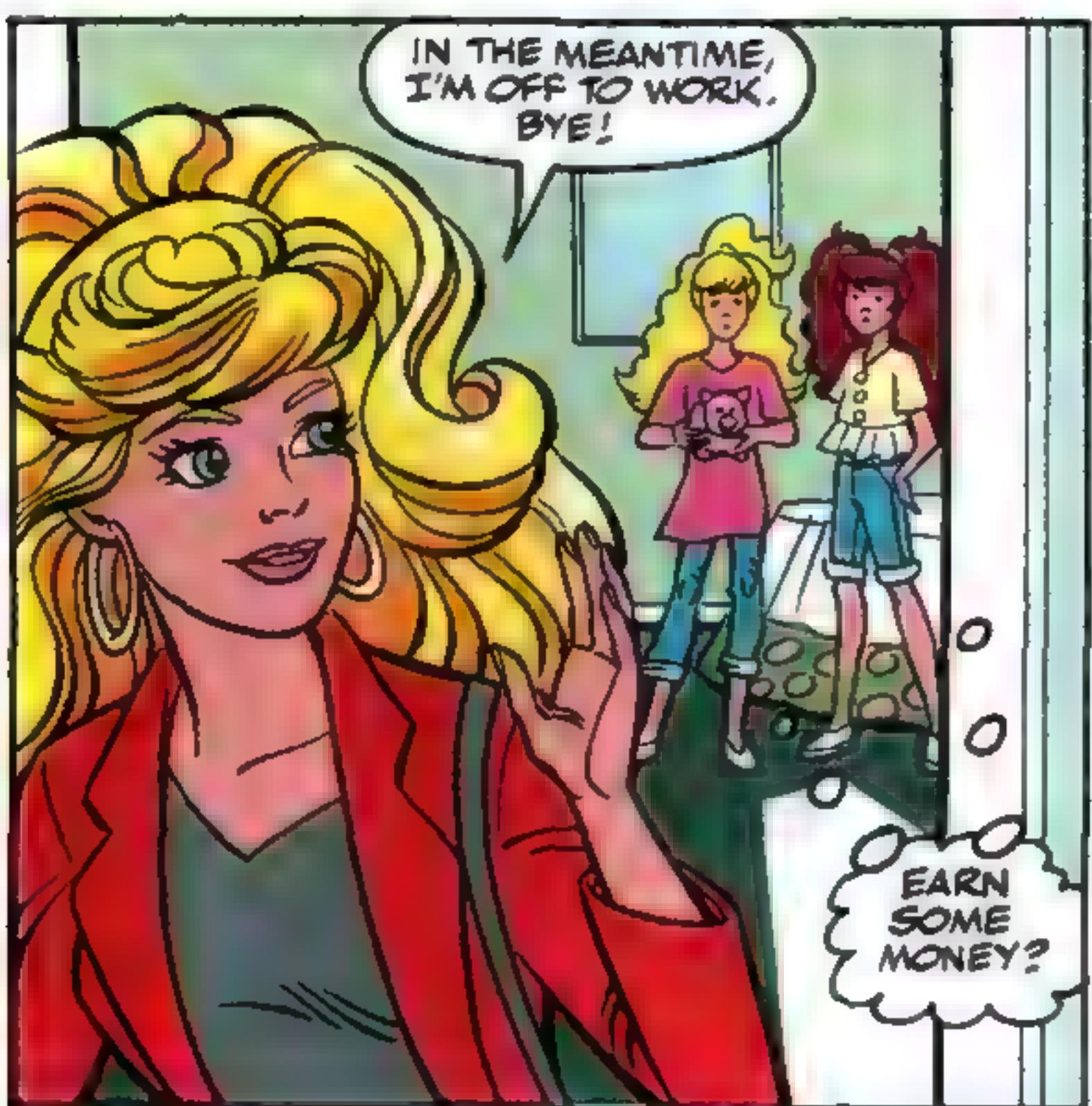
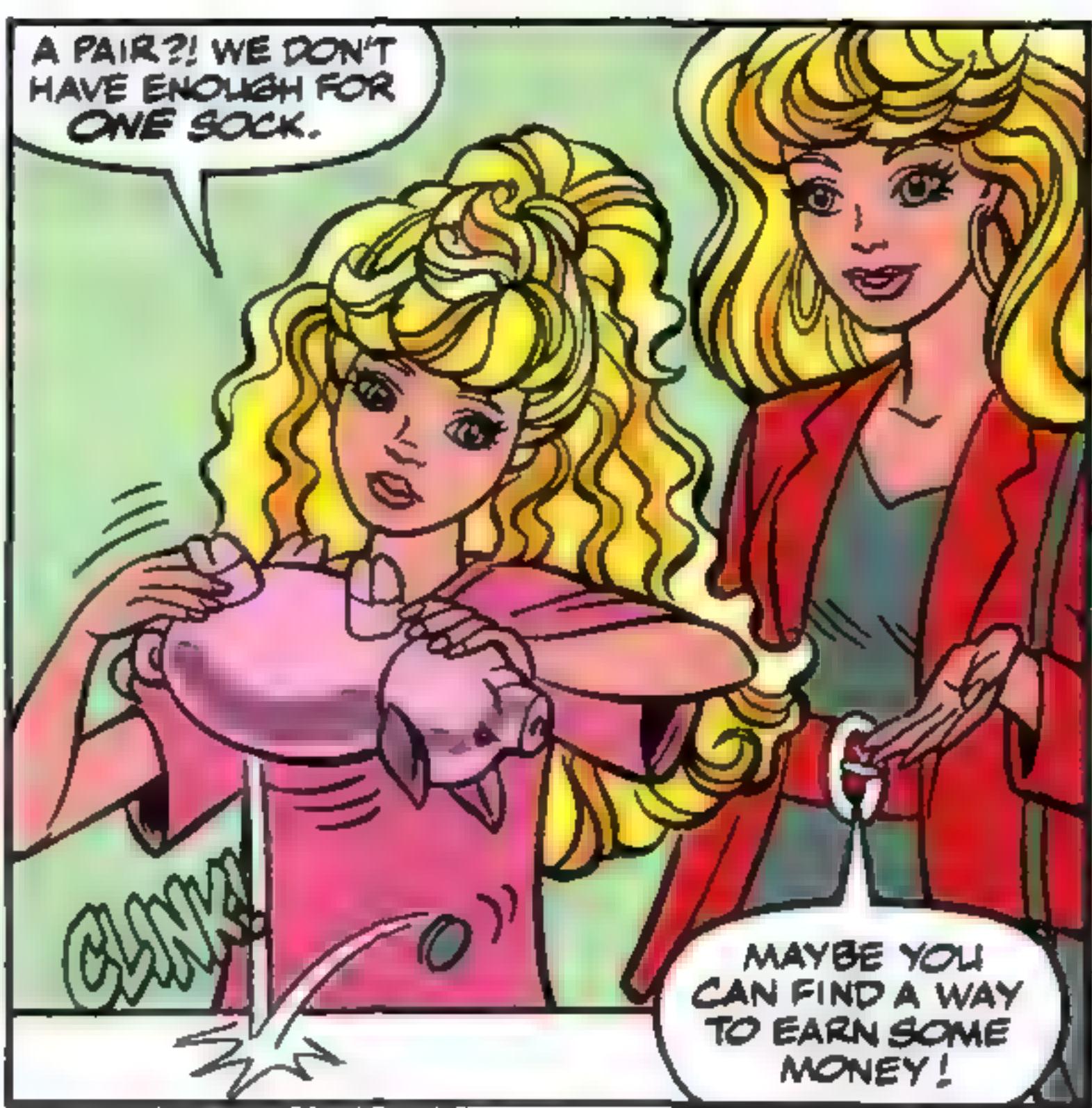
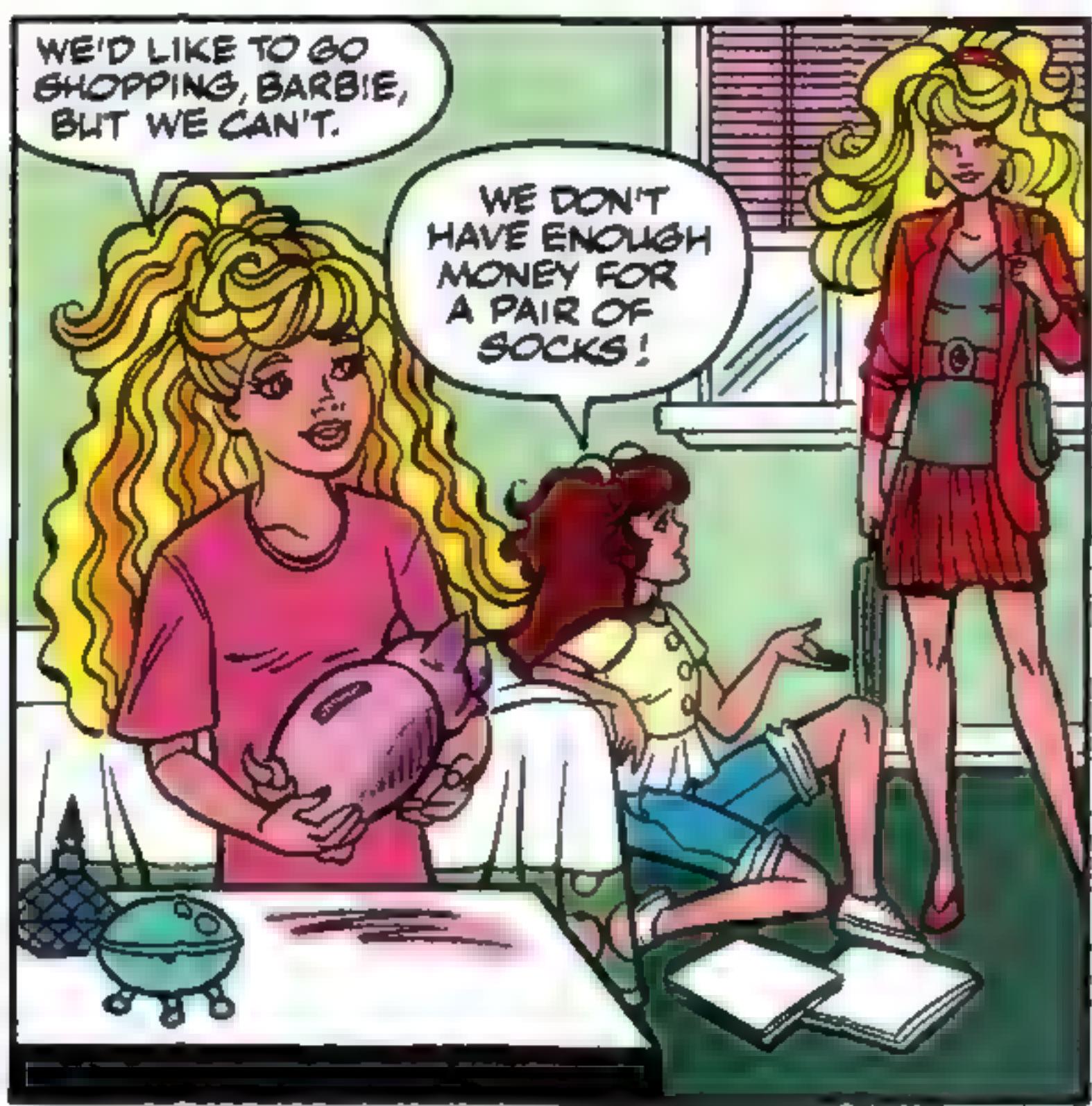
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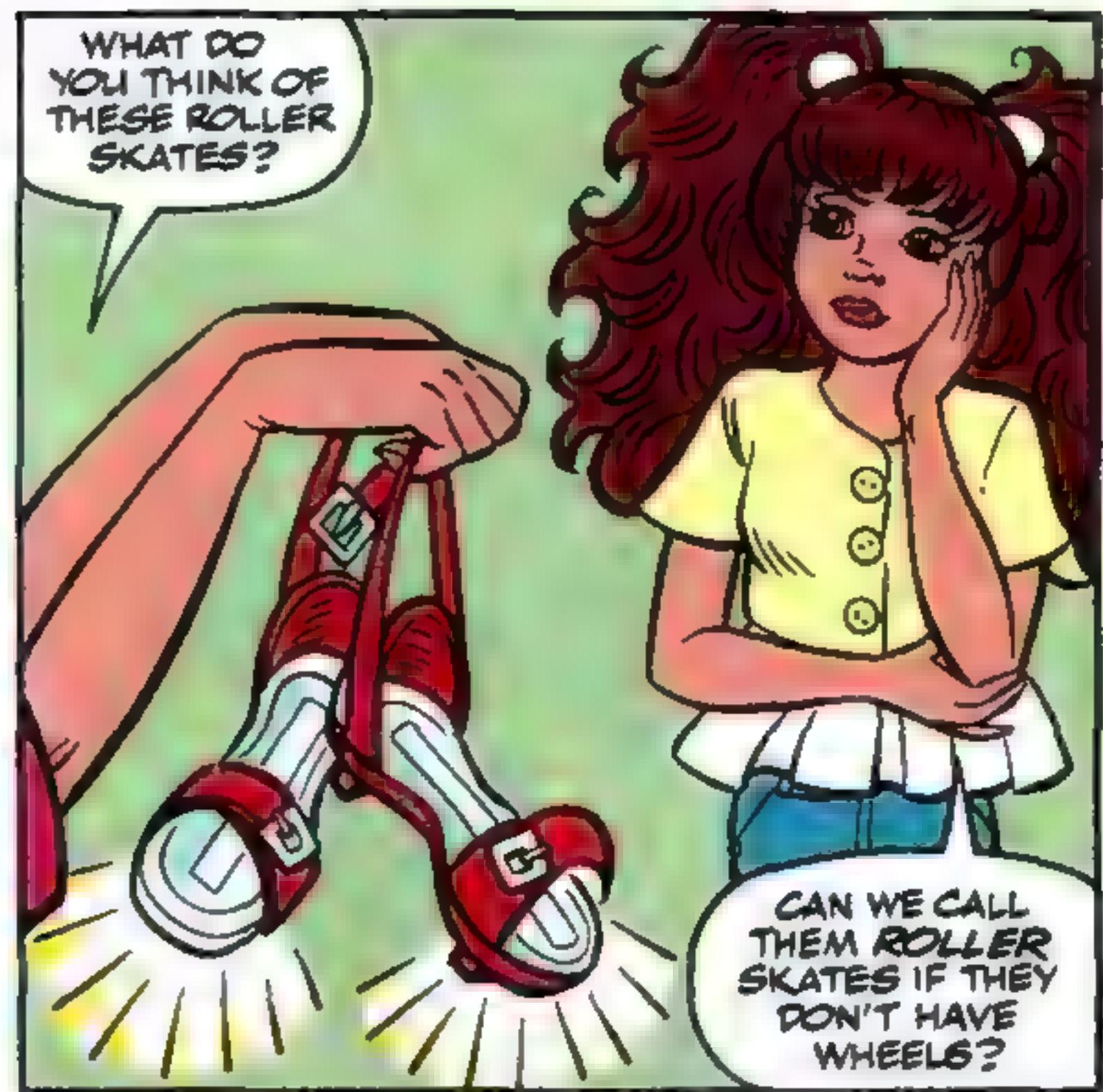
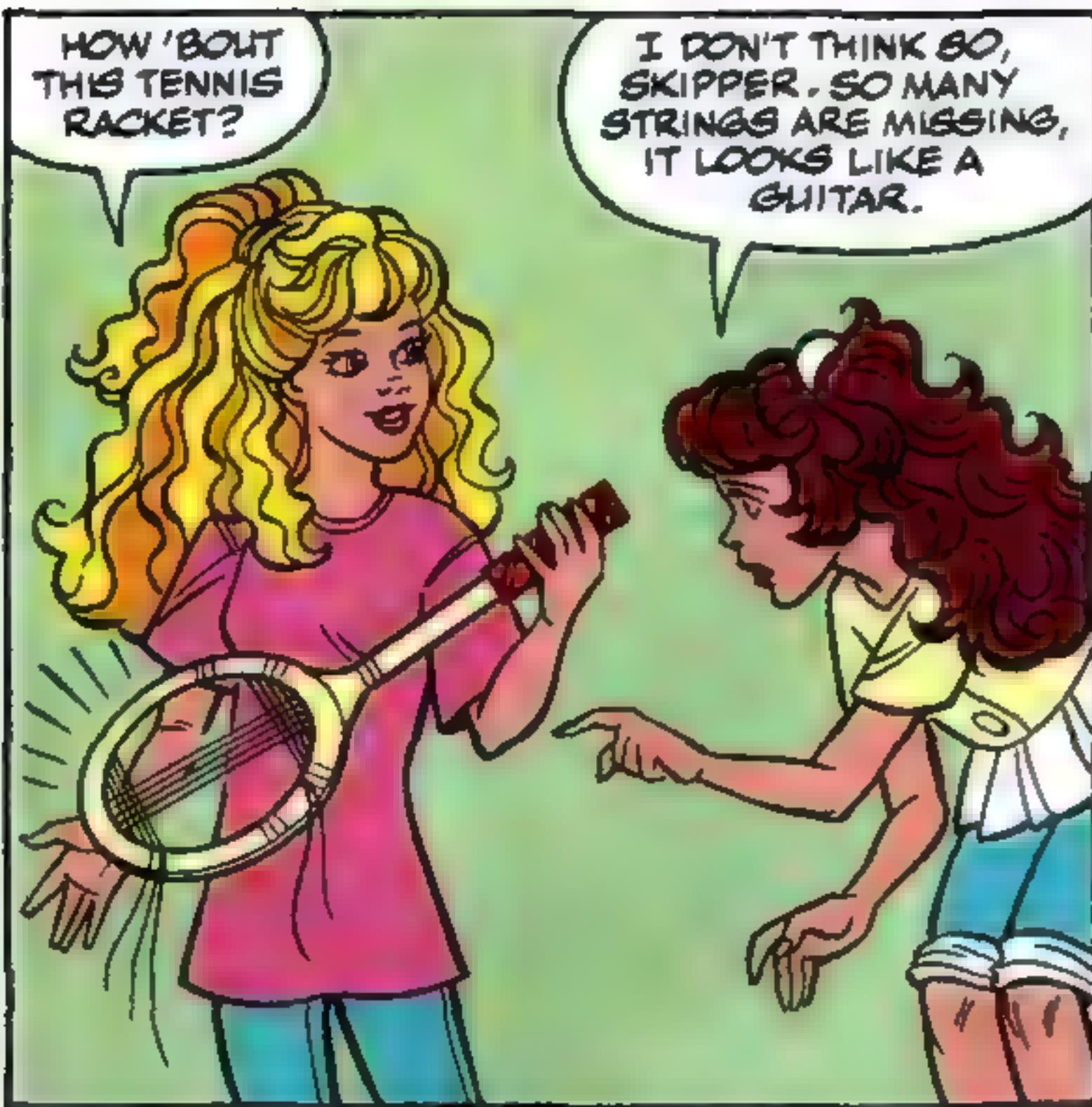
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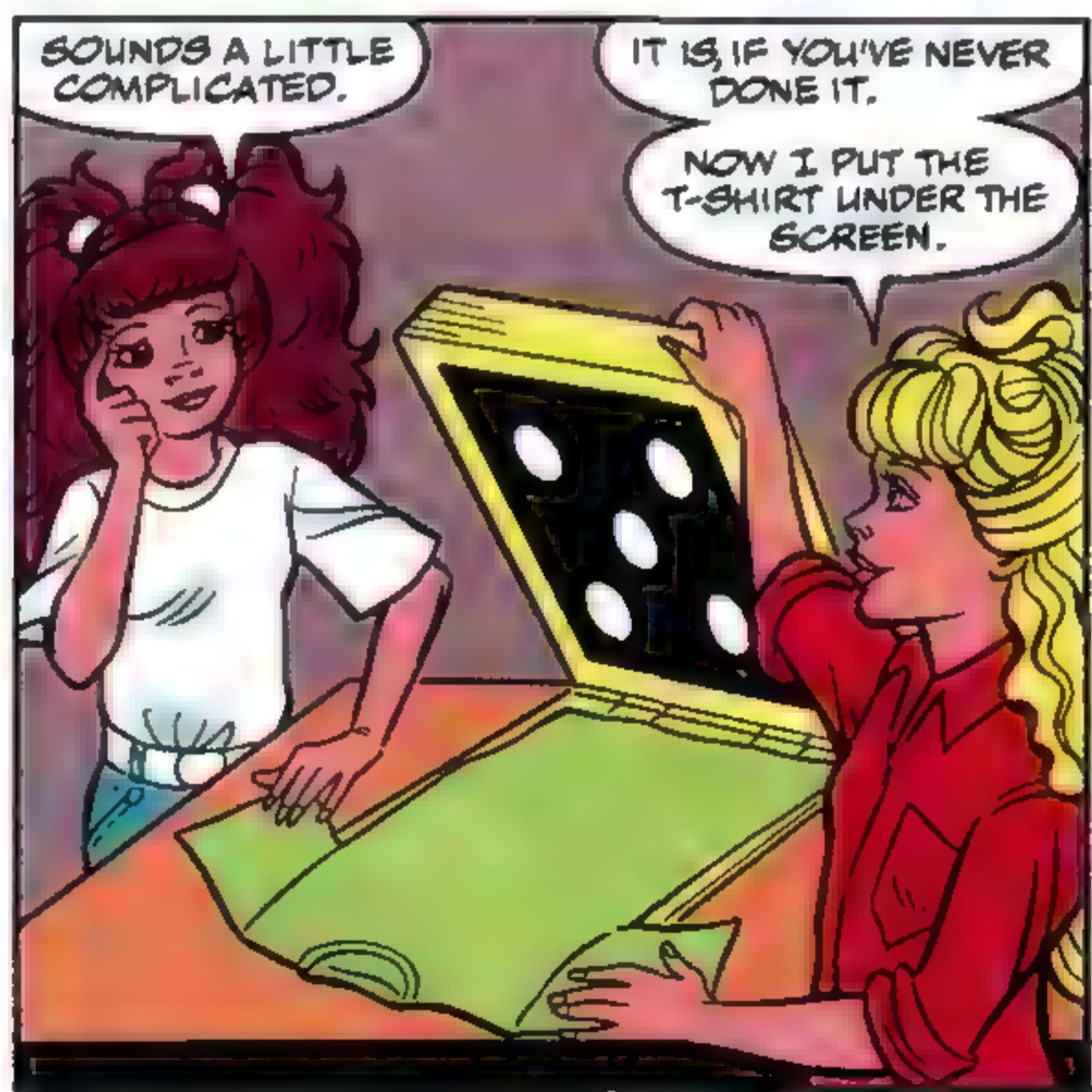
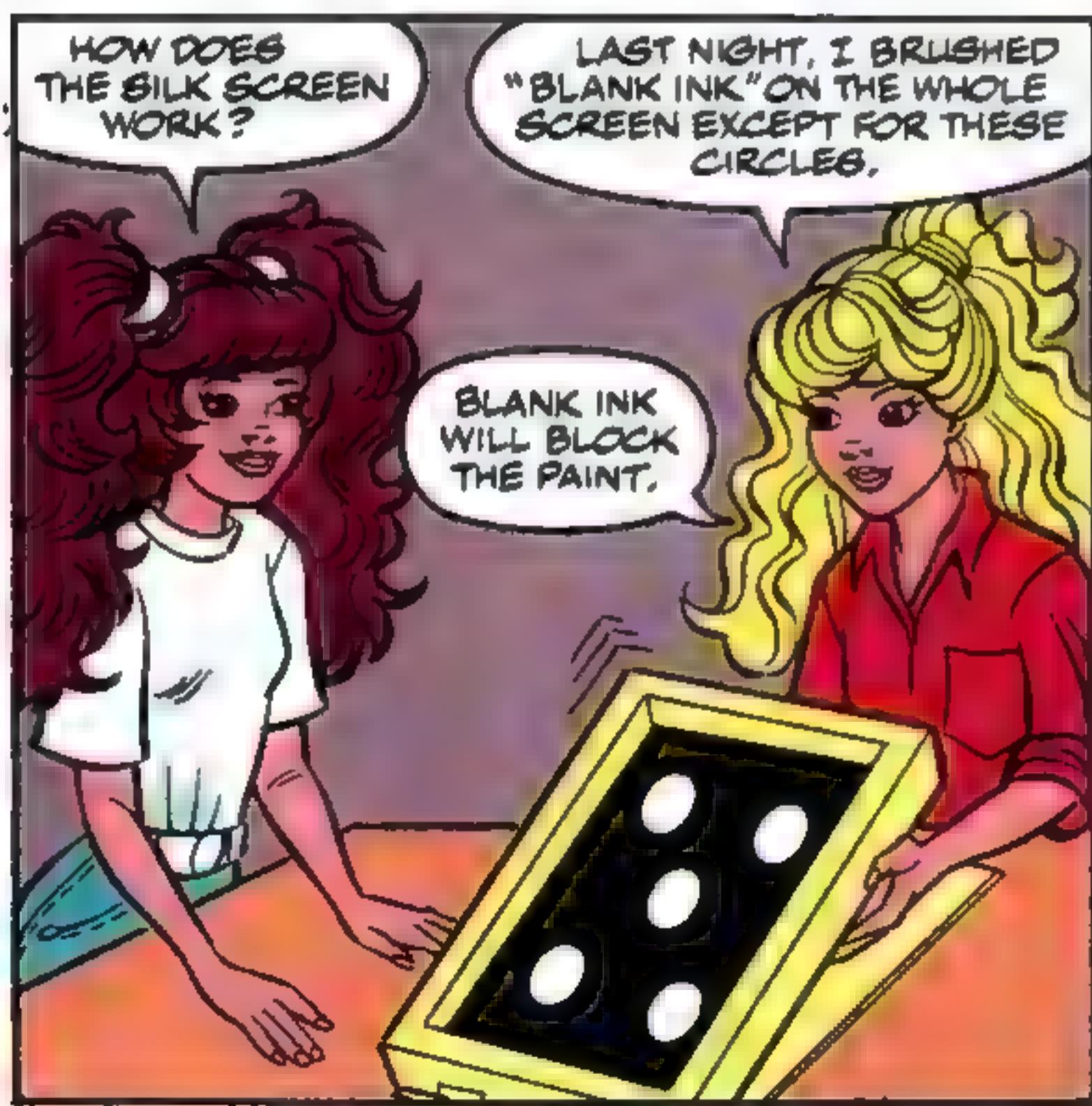
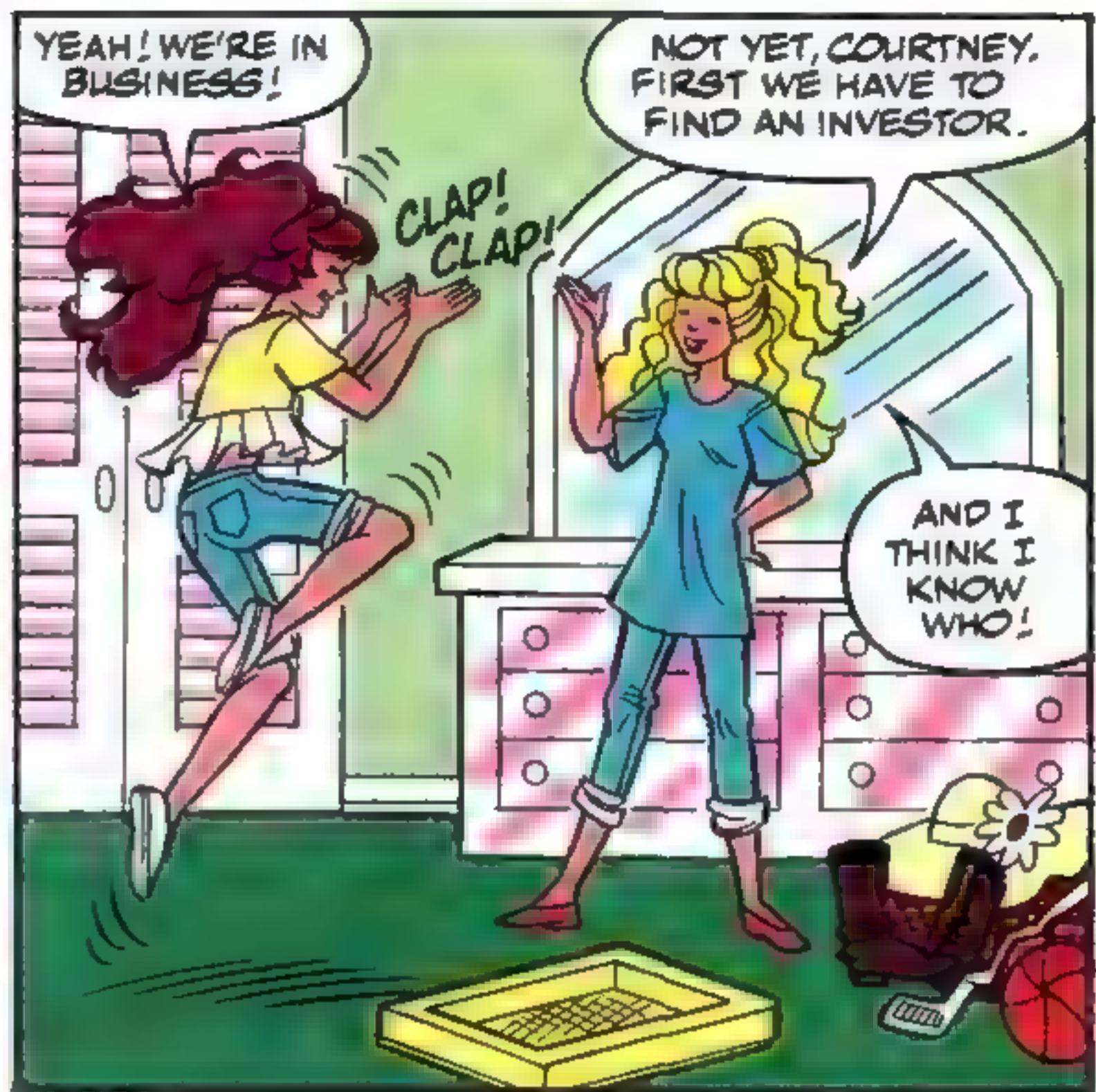
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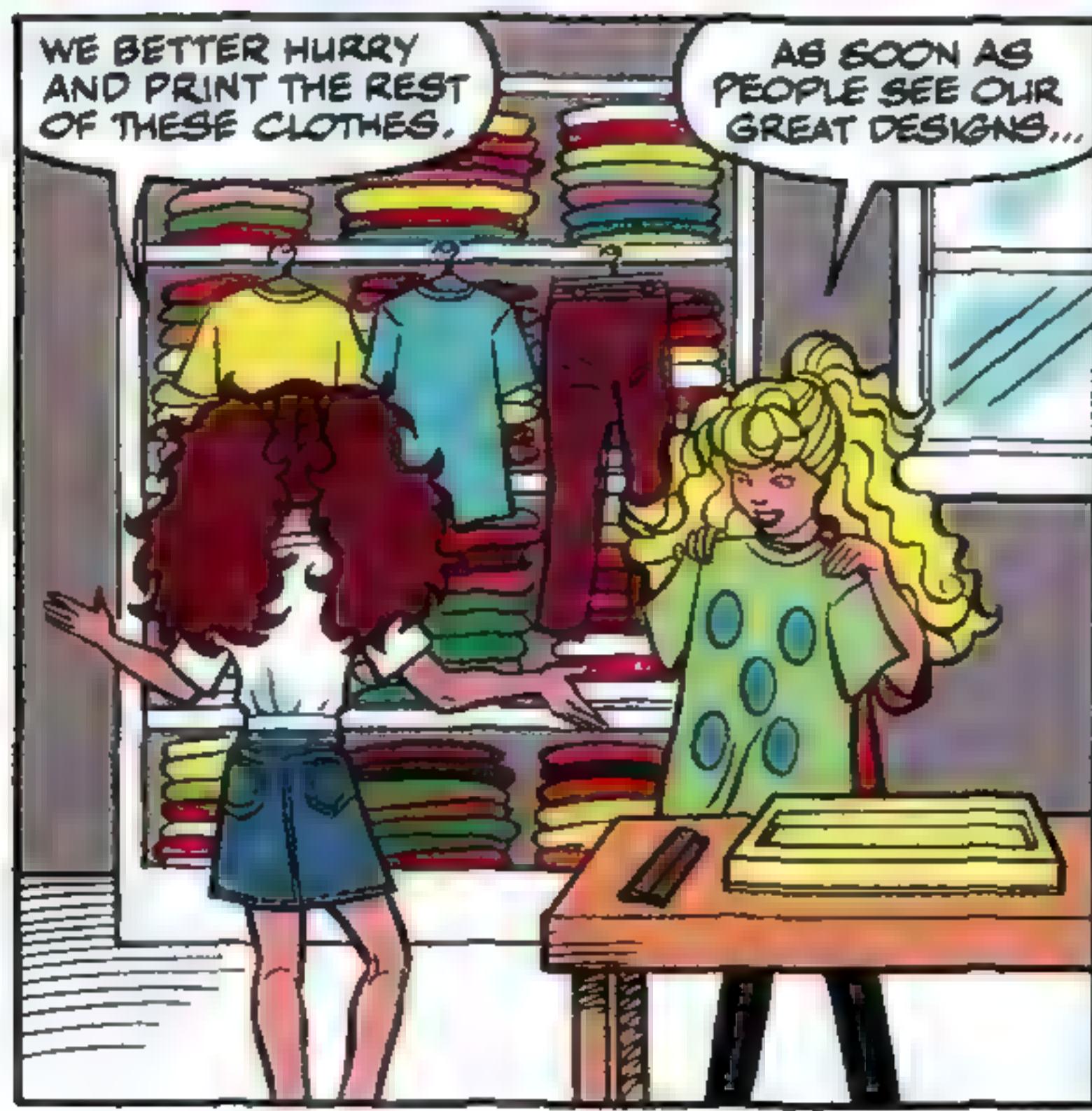
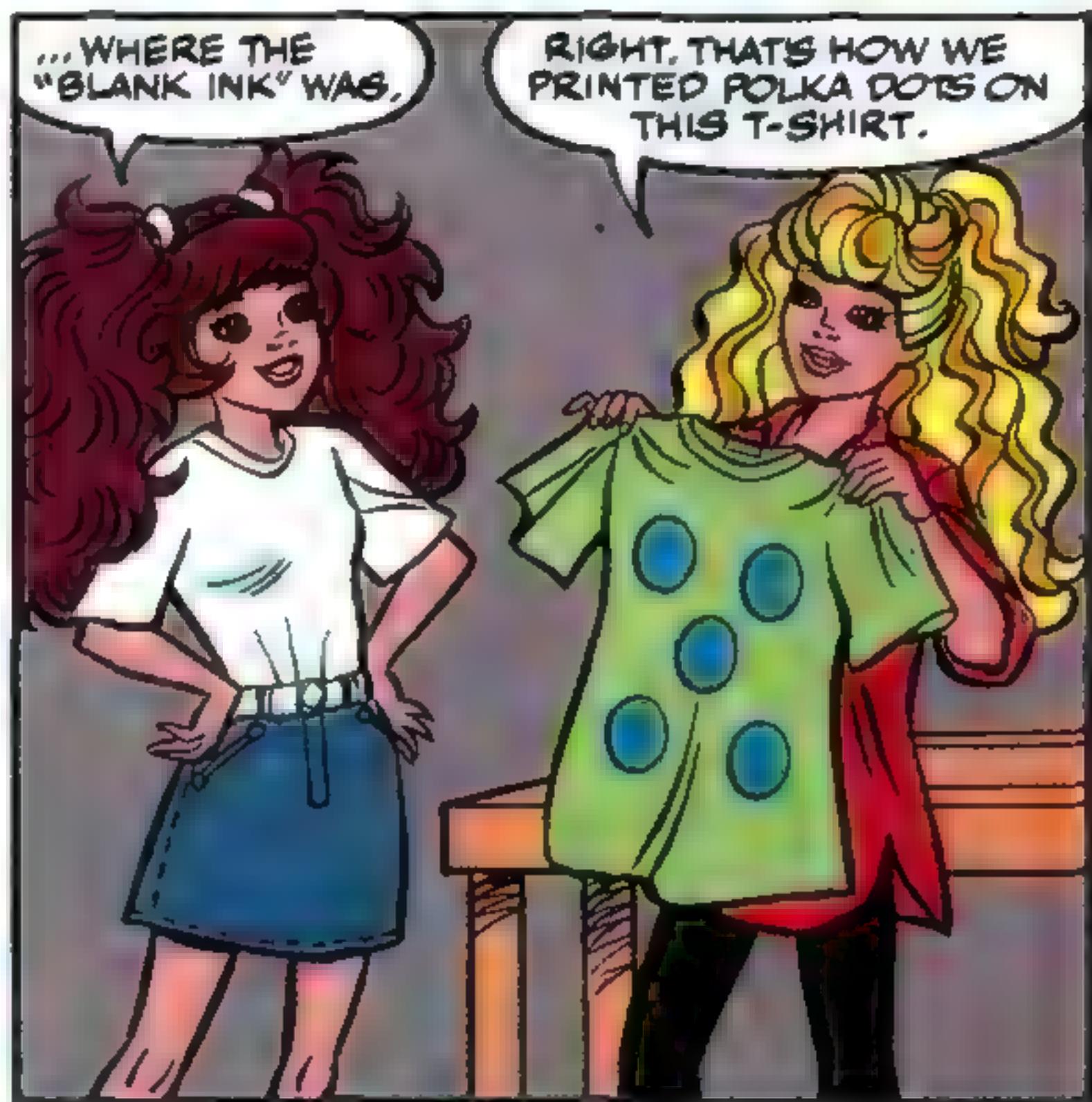
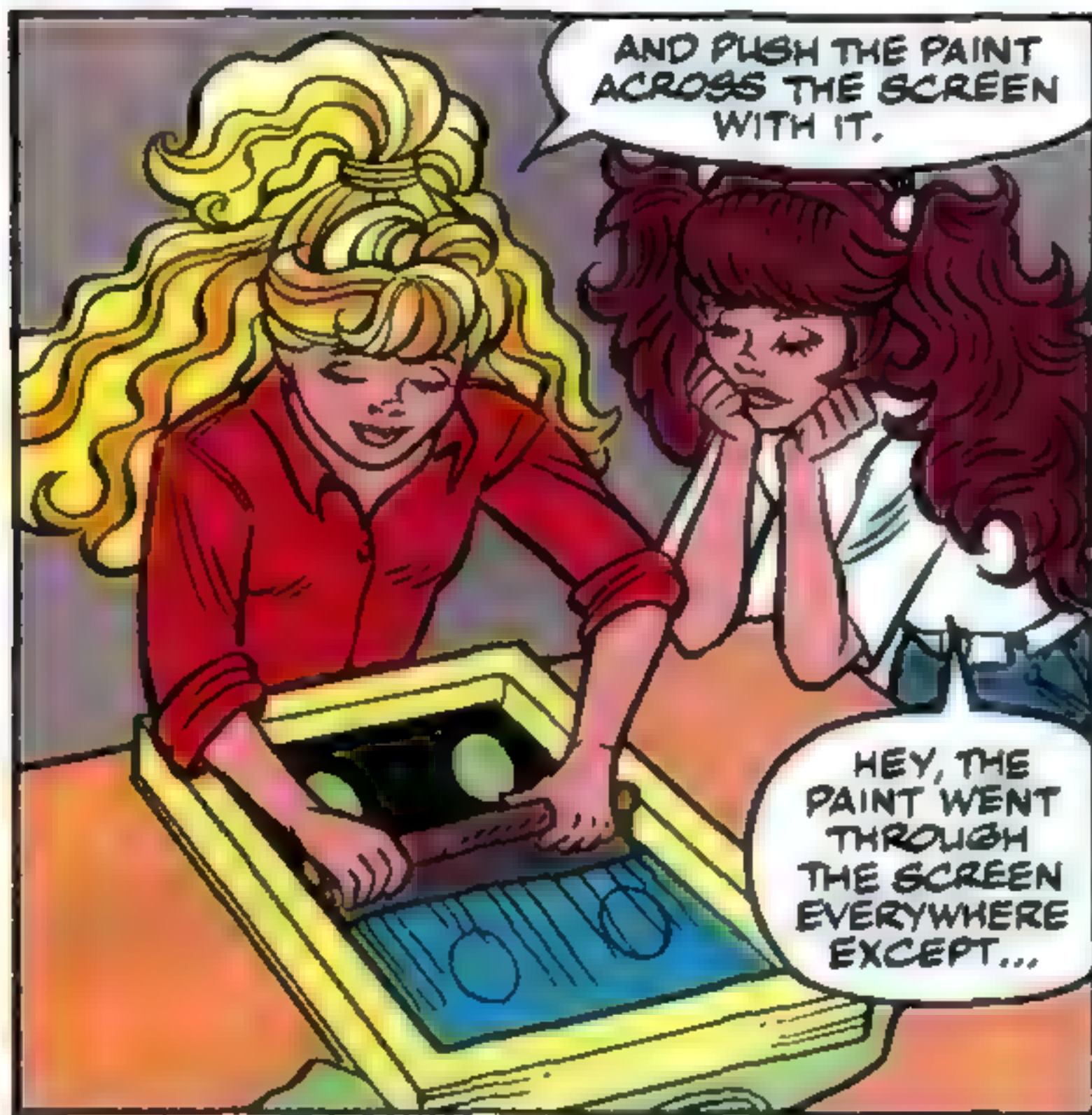


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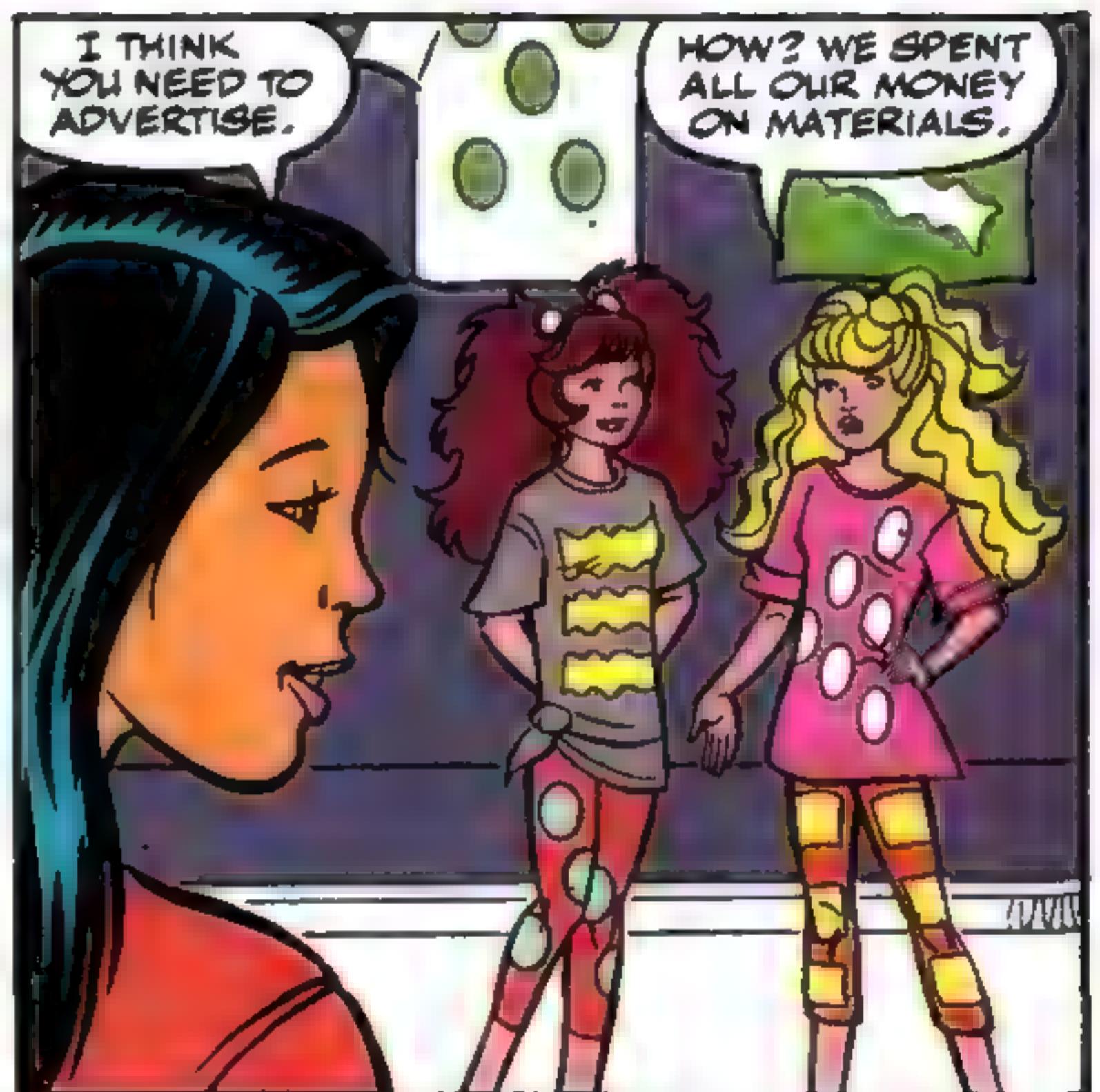
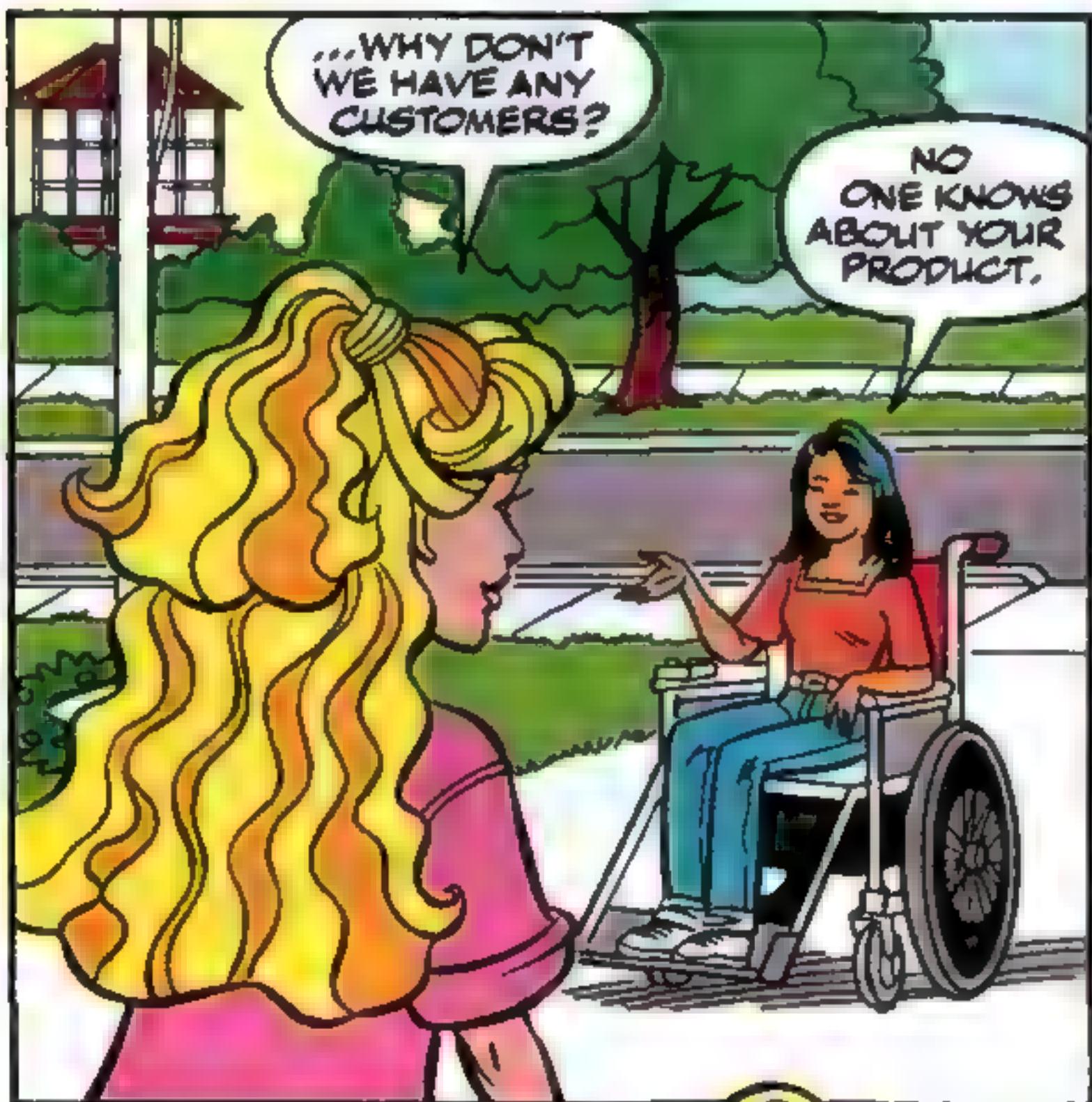
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HOURS LATER...



SOON...

HEY, BARBIE!



OH, DEAR, THEY  
LIKE YOUR  
CLOTHES SO  
MUCH--THEY'RE  
FIGHTING OVER  
THEM.

I SAW  
IT FIRST!

NO, I  
DID!



IT'S NOT EASY TO  
MAKE A GREAT PRODUCT  
AND SELL IT.

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DO IT?

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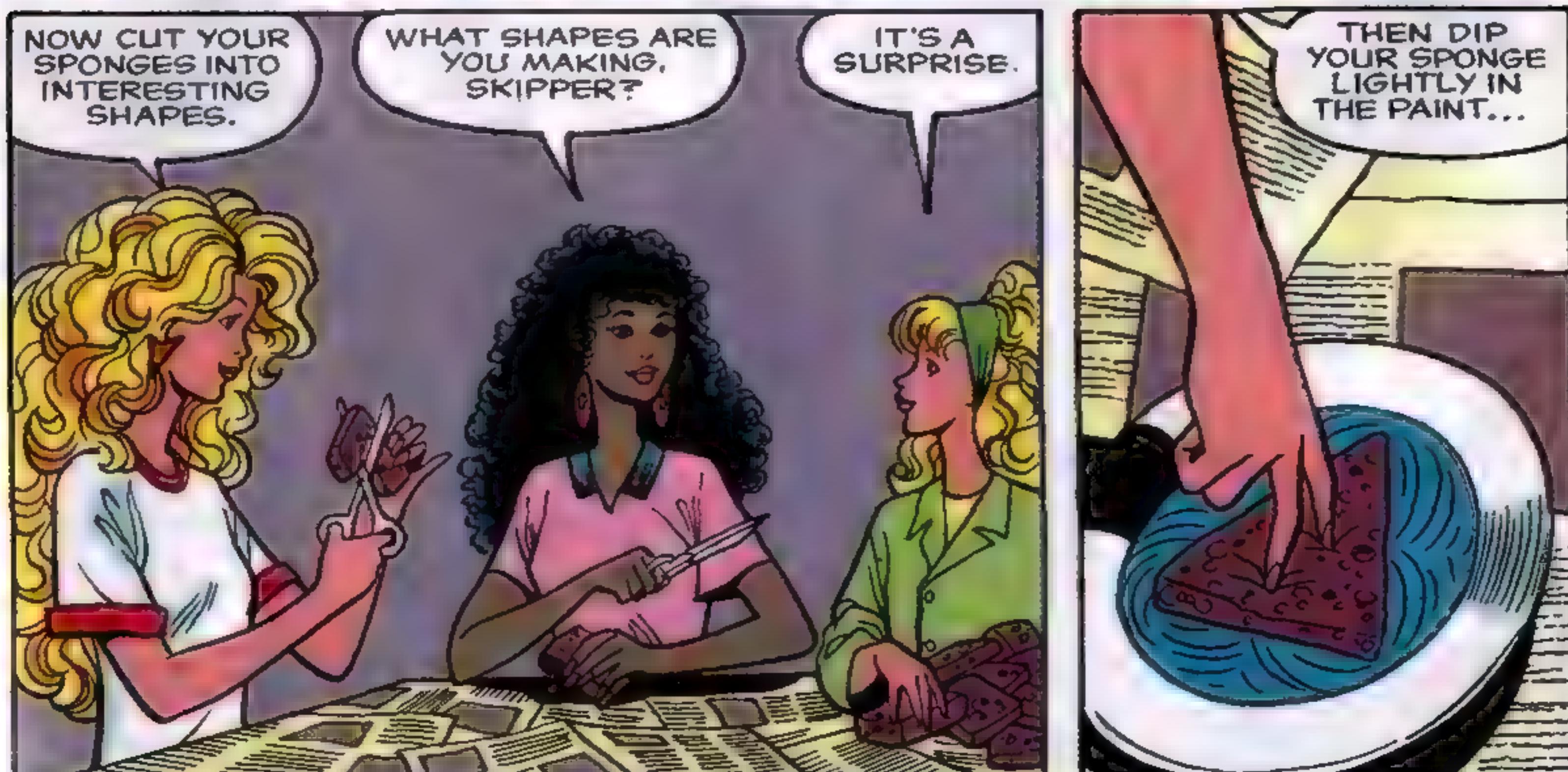
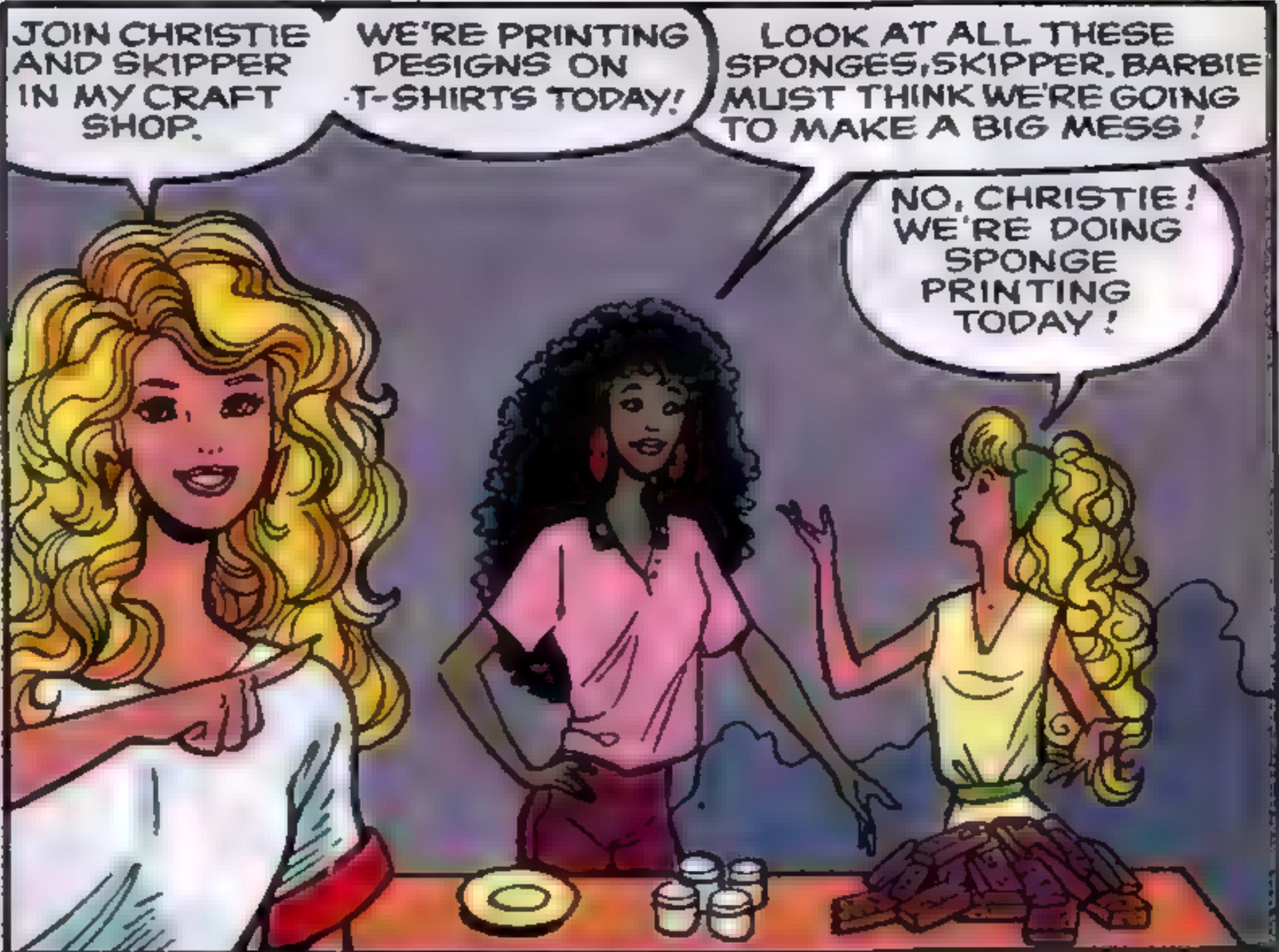
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It's show time—  
courtesy of Me—  
the "Ghost with  
the most!" How'd



you like to  
help me  
scare  
those city  
folks out of

your house and *their* wits?  
We'll soar through 8  
horrific levels (you're

gonna love the  
Afterlife  
Waiting Room)  
taking on Killer

Giant Beetles, Legs With-  
out Heads  
and other  
gruesome  
creatures.  
One wrong  
step... and you're food for  
the Sand Worm.  
Here's a tip: Buy  
scares from the  
Recently Deceased

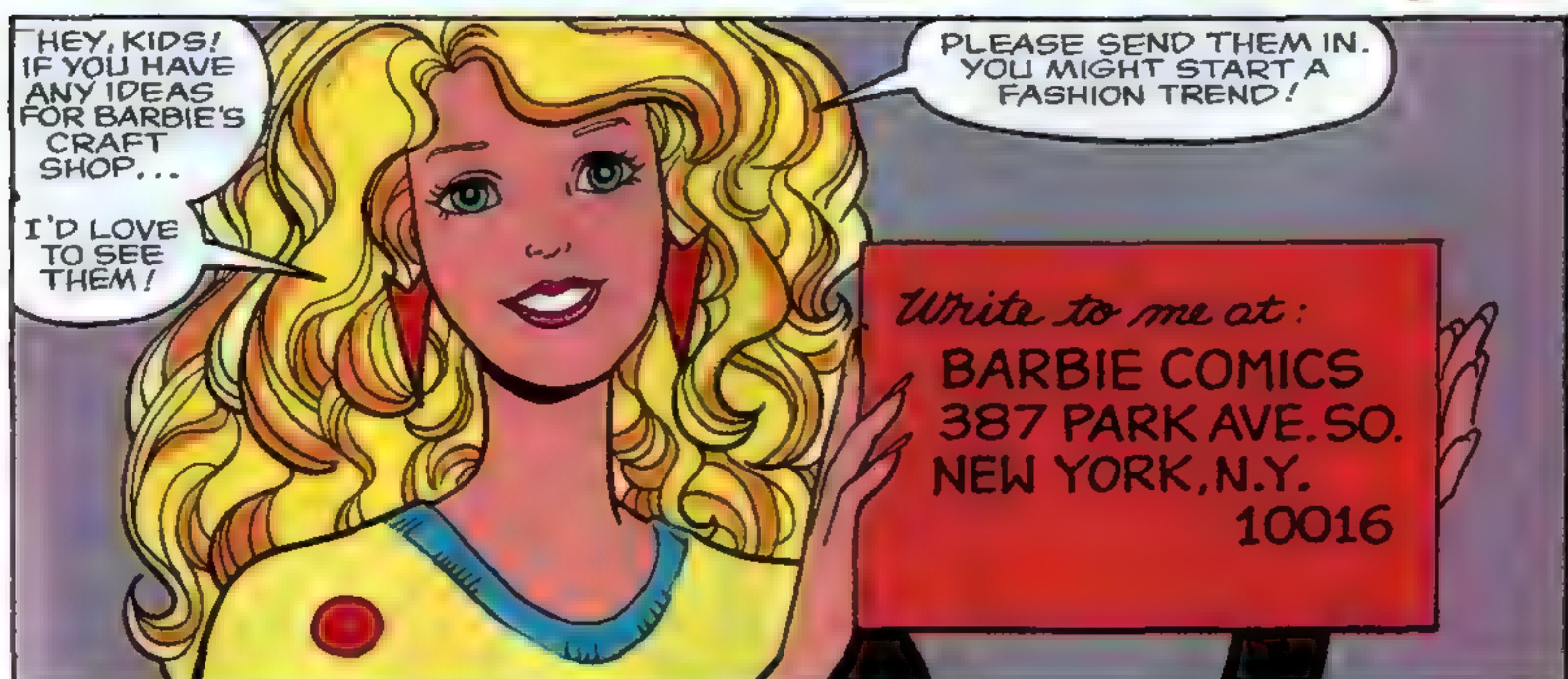
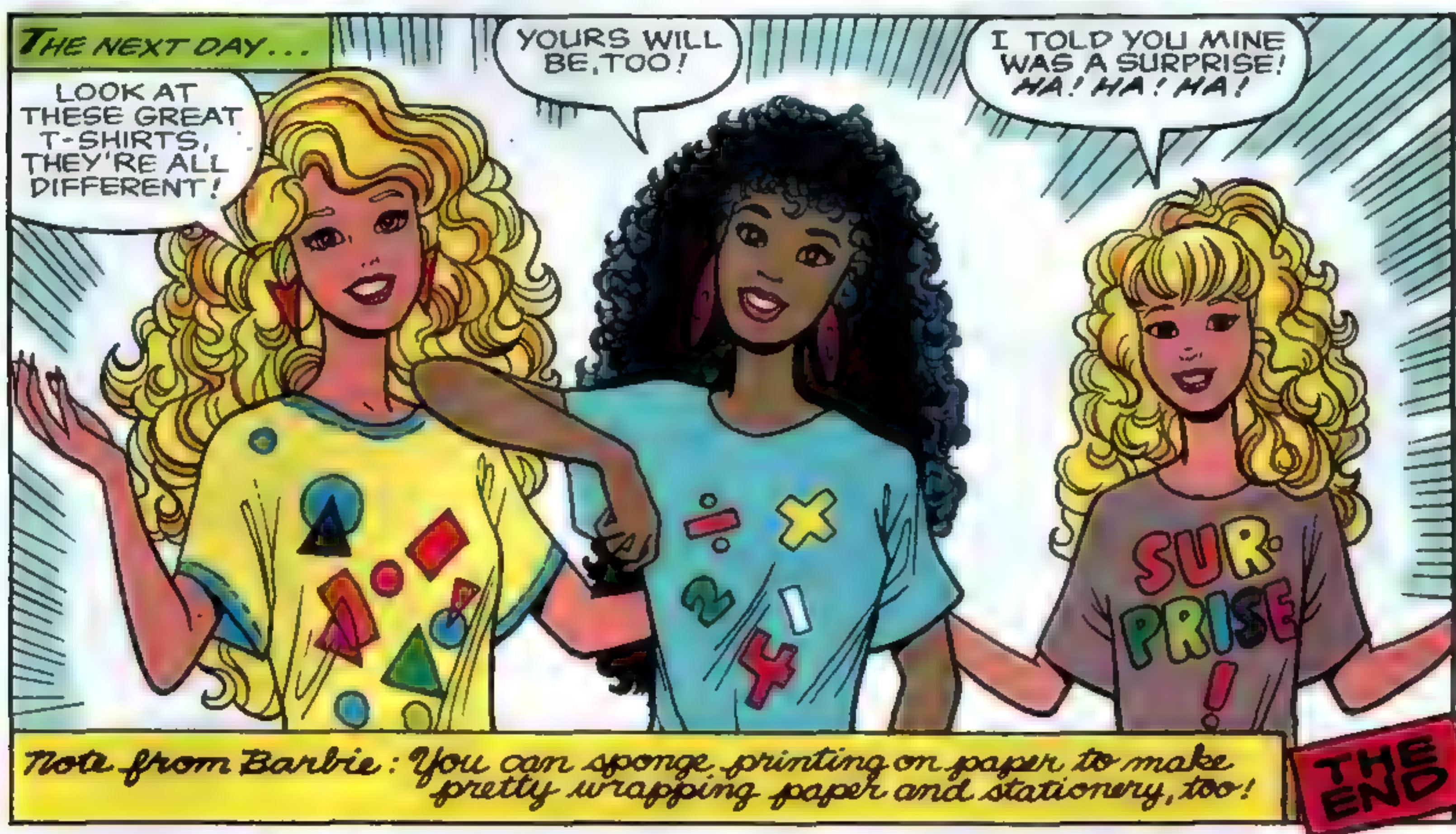
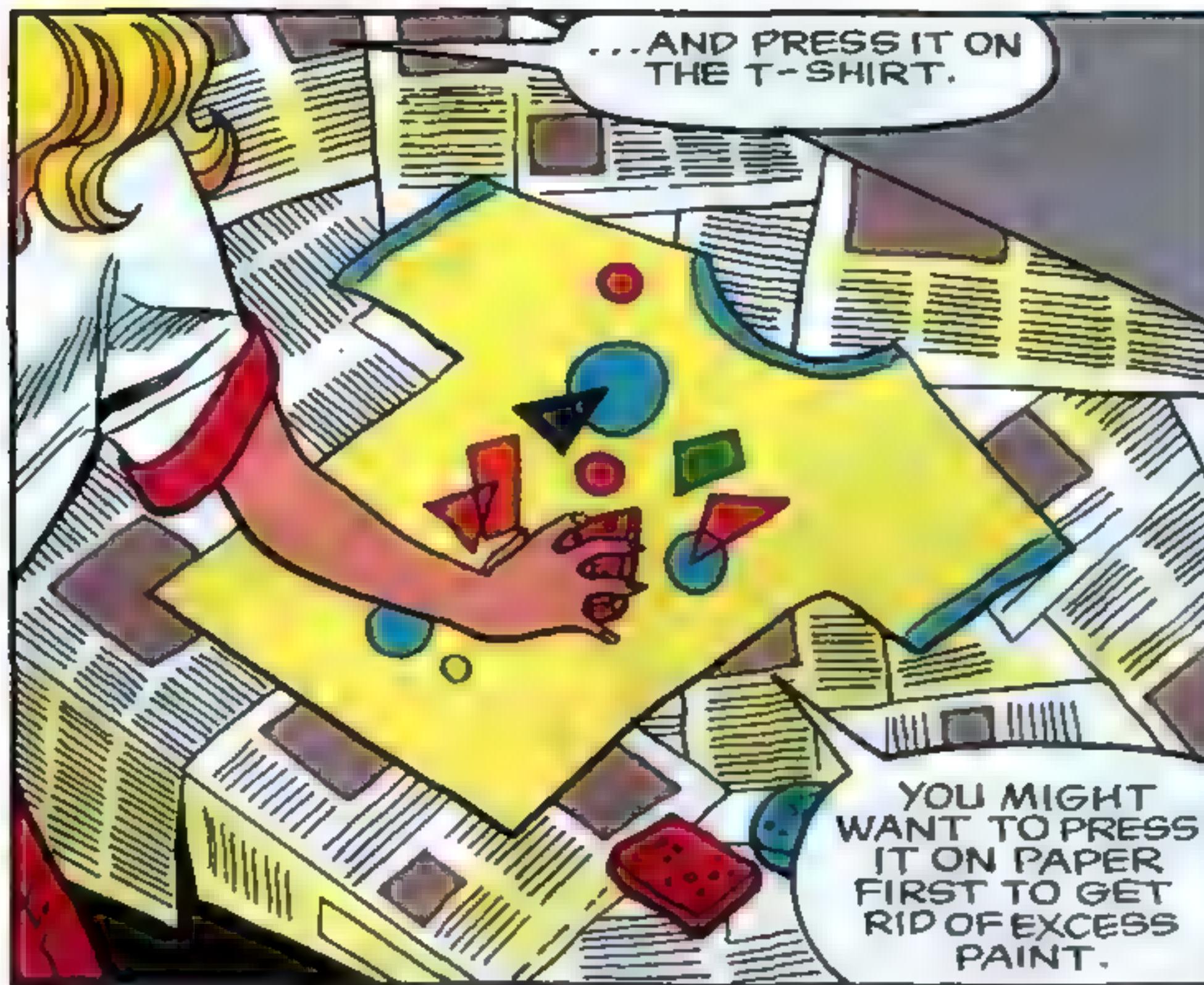


Information  
Booth,  
they're  
your best  
weapons.

So, join me in the  
Neitherworld... and make  
my millennium!



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# Barbie IN Music BAND

REHEARSAL IN PROGRESS

WHEN THE WORLD SPINS 'ROUND TOO FAST --

-- AND YOU THINK THE FUN WON'T LAST --

STOP STARING AT THAT CLOCK --

AND LET THE PARTY ROCK!!

KNOCK! KNOCK! KNOCK!

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FAN-GRAM FOR BARBIE AND THE BAND.

STUDIO B

THANKS, JOE!

WHAT DOES IT SAY, BARBIE?

LOOKS LIKE WE HAVE A BIG FAN IN BIG TROUBLE!

URGENT

CHELSIE SAYS HER TOWN MAY BAN EVERYTHING RELATED TO MUSIC!

NO CONCERTS?  
NO TAPES?  
NO FAN CLUB?



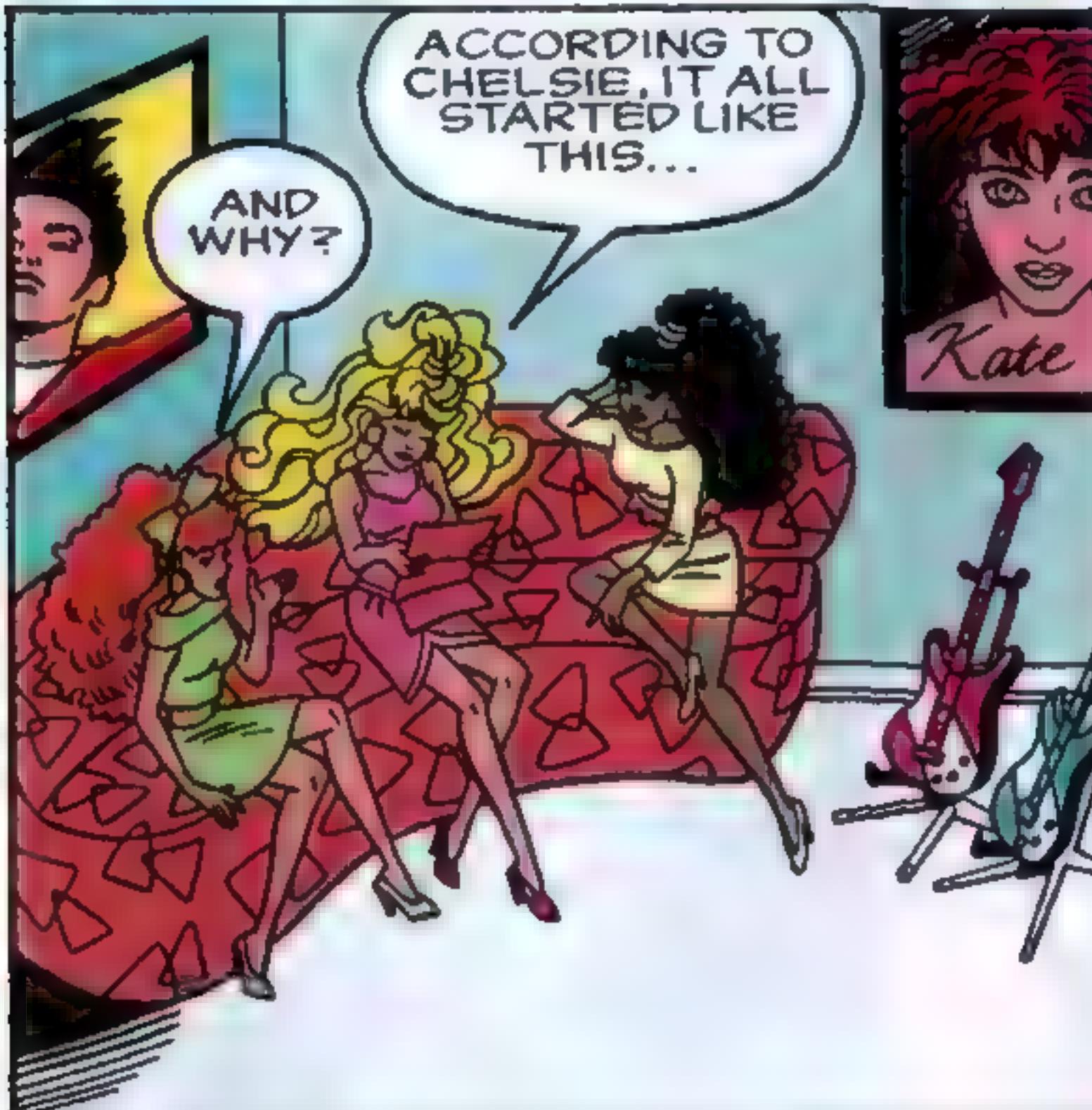
NOT EVEN A SONGBIRD!

WHOEVER HEARD OF A TOWN WITHOUT MUSIC?



ACCORDING TO CHELSIE, IT ALL STARTED LIKE THIS...

AND WHY?



"CHELSIE AND HER FRIEND WERE LISTENING TO MUSIC ONE DAY WHEN MRS. KILROY WALKED BY.

I LOVE THIS GROUP, CHELSIE!

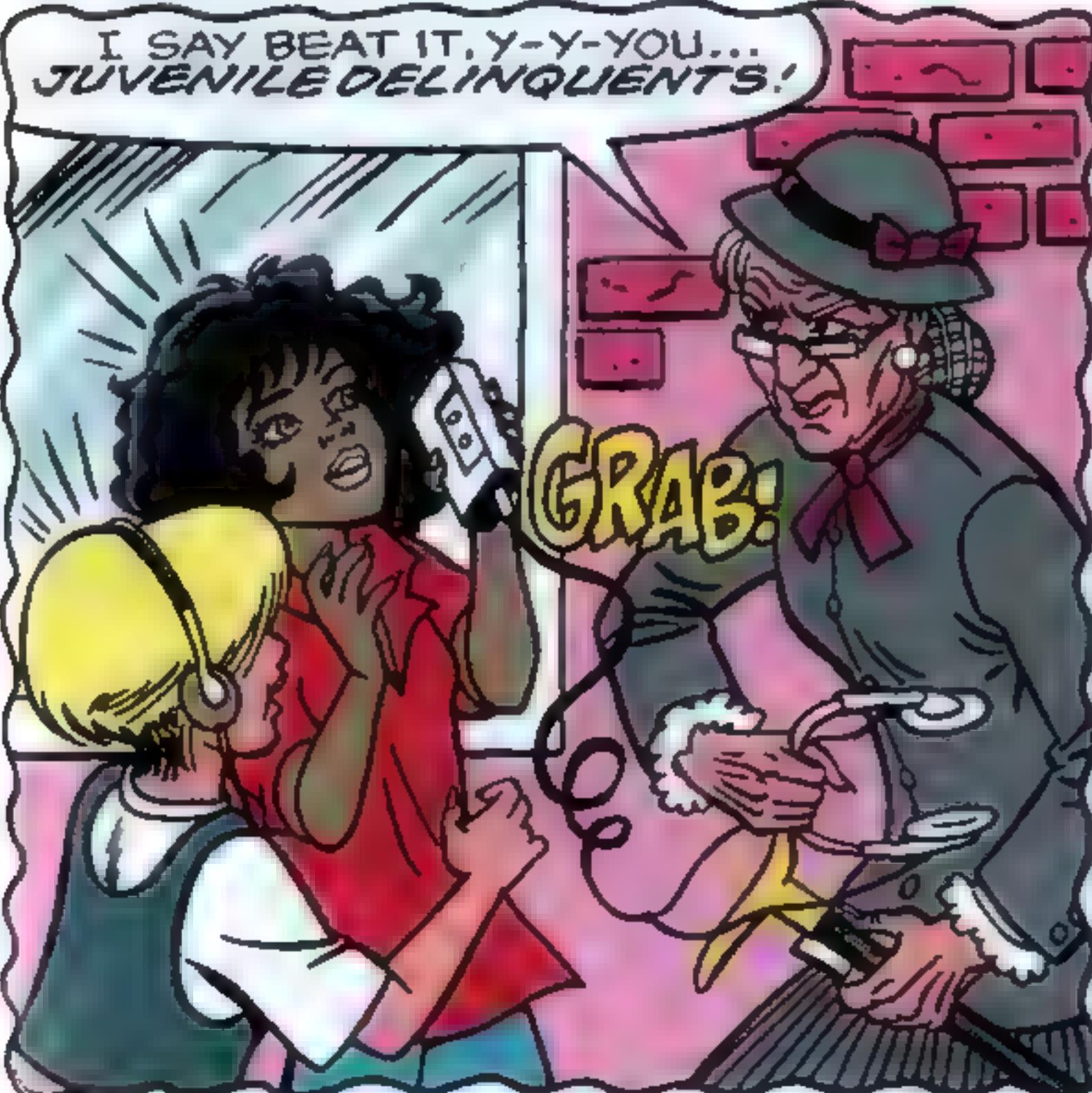
ME, TOO. THEY HAVE A GREAT BEAT!

SAM'S MUSIC



I SAY BEAT IT, Y-Y-YOU... JUVENILE DELINQUENTS!

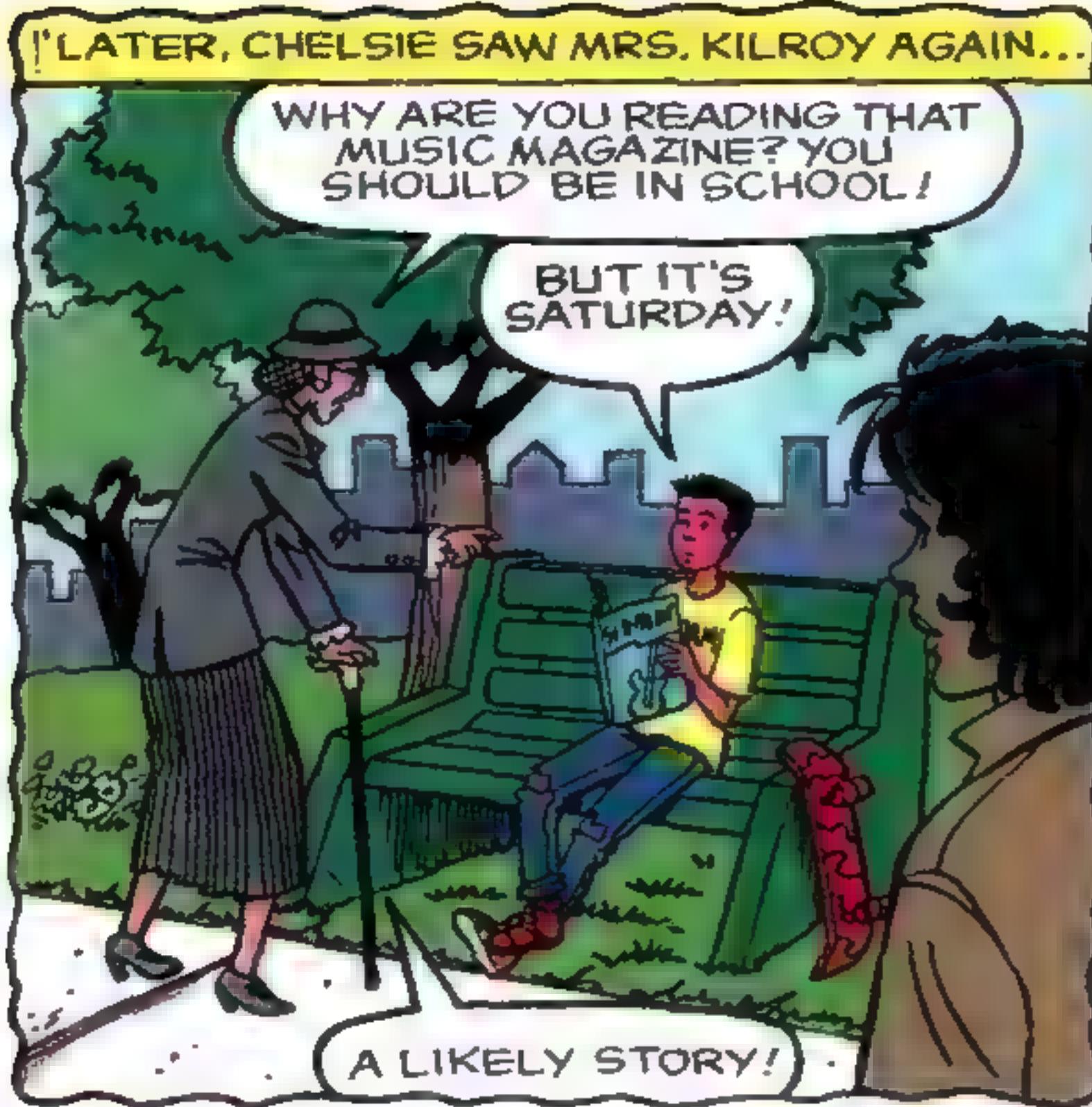
GRAB!



BEFORE YOU KNOW IT, YOU'LL BE RIDING MOTORCYCLES ON THE SIDEWALK.

HUH?









# BULLPEN BULLETINS



## STAN'S SOAPBOX

Hi, Heroes!

It takes place the week of July Fourth! It's in San Diego! It's one of the biggest Comic Book Conventions of all! And it's not even paying us for this priceless Soapbox plug! So why am I doing it? Here's why . . .

Marvel believes in Comic Book Cons! Marvel supports Comic Book Cons! Marvel loves Comic Book Cons!

Just think! A place where all you fans can get together with other Marvel maniacs (not to mention Brand Echh bizarros) and have a ball meeting your favorite artists, writers and editors! A

place where you can bid on all sorts of original artwork, attend discussion groups with the pros, snare countless autographs, snap candid photos of the celebs, and generally wallow in a welter of comic book lore!

Let's face it, a good Comic Book Con is super hero heaven—and if this hype doesn't get me a free pass to the next one, I'll return my latest no-prize for a full refund! Come to think of it, maybe I'll devote my next soapbox to expensive sports cars—hey, I'm not so dumb!

But seriously (which is a word I find hard to take seriously), if you've never attended a Comic Book Con you should make a note not to miss the next one that comes

to your town. There are now so many of 'em that they seem to be proliferating like rabbits, so no matter where you live there's a good chance of finding one in your area sooner or later. And, since I attend so many Cons during the year, there's always the possibility of us running into each other—but don't let that discourage you. You can always pretend you don't know me!

So, till Jim Lee admits he's my long-lost grandfather, see ya at the Con! Excelsior!

**J**uly is a mondo-hot month—but you don't need us to tell you that. Just stick your head out the window. Preferably an open one. Now, some may like it hot—Marilyn Monroe, for one, singer Robert Palmer, for another. But here at Marvel, we're trying to forget about the heat. After all, too much heat can make you perspire on your new mint Marvel comics, thus decreasing their value. And we don't want that. Instead of telling you what you already know—that we're pushin' the mercury into the red—we'd rather talk about things that are cool.

After all, a good comic should be cool and refreshing—like a gentle breeze on a warm summer's day...like a guitar riff you can't get out of your head...or like an ice cube dropped down your shirt. At least, that's the idea. We figured what better way to help you cool off than to clue you in on what we, the movers and shakers at the coolest comics company in the U.S., consider the ultimate in cool. (If the items mentioned here do not seem cool to you, you may want to redefine your abstract values.)

**COOLEST ACTIVITY FOR MARRIED COUPLES:** Having babies. This recreational activity seems quite popular this year, as evidenced by ultra-inker Randy Emberlin and his lovely wife, Judy, who have just had a baby boy, and PUBLISHER mega-pencil Hugh Haynes and his lovely wife, Judith, who recently celebrated the arrival of a baby girl.

**COOLEST NAME FOR BABY BOYS:** Alex.

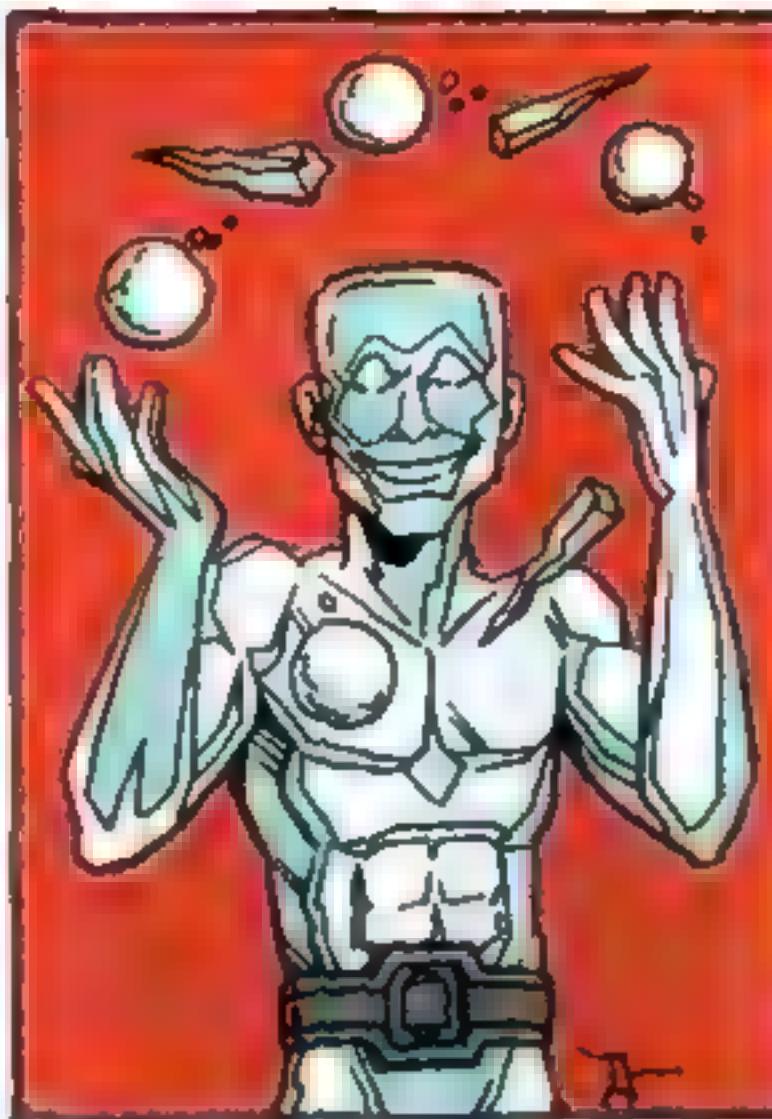
**COOLEST NAME FOR BABY GIRLS:** Olivia.

**COOLEST BOOK:** X-MEN-super-scribe Chris Claremont's second novel, *Grounded*, will be out next month from Ace Books. Chris describes *Grounded* as "hi-tech sf," noting that it's a sequel to his first novel, *First Flight*. A third book in the series is planned. However, with Chris busy scripting two, count 'em, two X-MEN books every month, there's no telling when the third book in the series will be out.

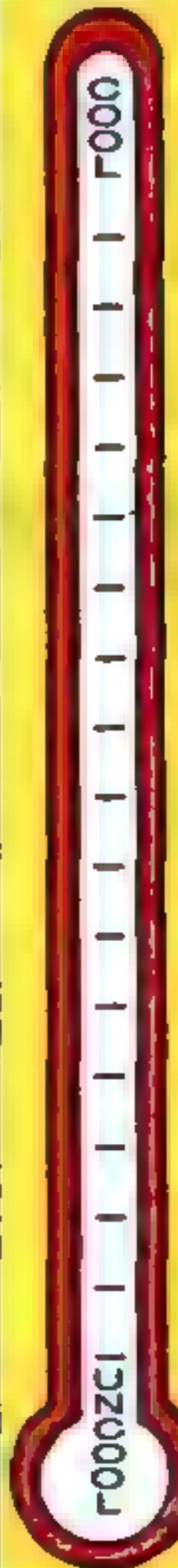
**COOLEST FOOD:** Cherry Slurpees.

**COOLEST SPORT:** Wallyball. (It's like volleyball, only with no rules.)

**COOLEST COMIC:** Gilbert Gottfried. Ha! Fooled you! You thought we were talking about comic books, when actually we were talking about stand-up comics! The ultra-hilarious Gilbert, known for his hosting of the USA Cable Network's *Up All Night*, and movie roles including *Problem Child* and *Beverly Hills Cop 2*, is a big Marvel fan. He recently stopped by the Marvel offices along with his buddy, fellow stand-up comic (and ALPHA FLIGHT's new writer) Scott Lobdell. Gilbert and Scott are working on a story for our Dastardly Competition. Something about the adventures of a boy who could fly, or some such. Comics writing comics...what will they think of next?



## JULY COOLOMETER



- INFINITY GAUNTLET
- PENN & TELLER
- BARE KNEES
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- SOFTBALL
- QUASAR
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- THE FLASH TV SHOW
- HANNIBAL LECTER
- TEEN-AGE MUTANT NINJA TURTLES
- TWIN PEAKS
- SUSHI
- BO JACKSON
- NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK
- MCLEAN BURGER
- STEVEN SEAGAL
- BELL BOTTOMS
- VOGUING
- VANILLA ICE
- PONYTAILS ON MEN
- REGIS & KATHY LEE

**COOLEST ISSUE OF MARVEL AGE MAGAZINE:** Issue #104, which, by a strange coincidence, is on sale this month. The issue features a cover by ultra-superstar artist Jim Lee, as well as an interview with The-One-Who-Is-Not-Stan's-Son. The cover story this issue? Why, none other than the all-new, all different X-MEN #1, which explodes on the world like a supernova next month, and is sure to be the best-selling comic since the dawn of the Paleolithic Era. Now, any other comic company would give you the Jim Lee interview and stop there. But not us! MARVEL AGE #104 also contains the reprint of the first Marvel mutant story ever published. It's called "The Man Who Could Fly," and it's by a couple of gents named Stan (I am not Jim's Dad) Lee and Steve (I Am Not Related In Any Way To Either Stan Or Jim Lee) Ditko. The story originally appeared in...AMAZING FANTASY #14! (As all true Marveloids know, that's the issue BEFORE the introduction of the AMAZING SPIDER-MAN! Stan and Steve were really on a hot streak there—oops, we promised not to mention heat.)

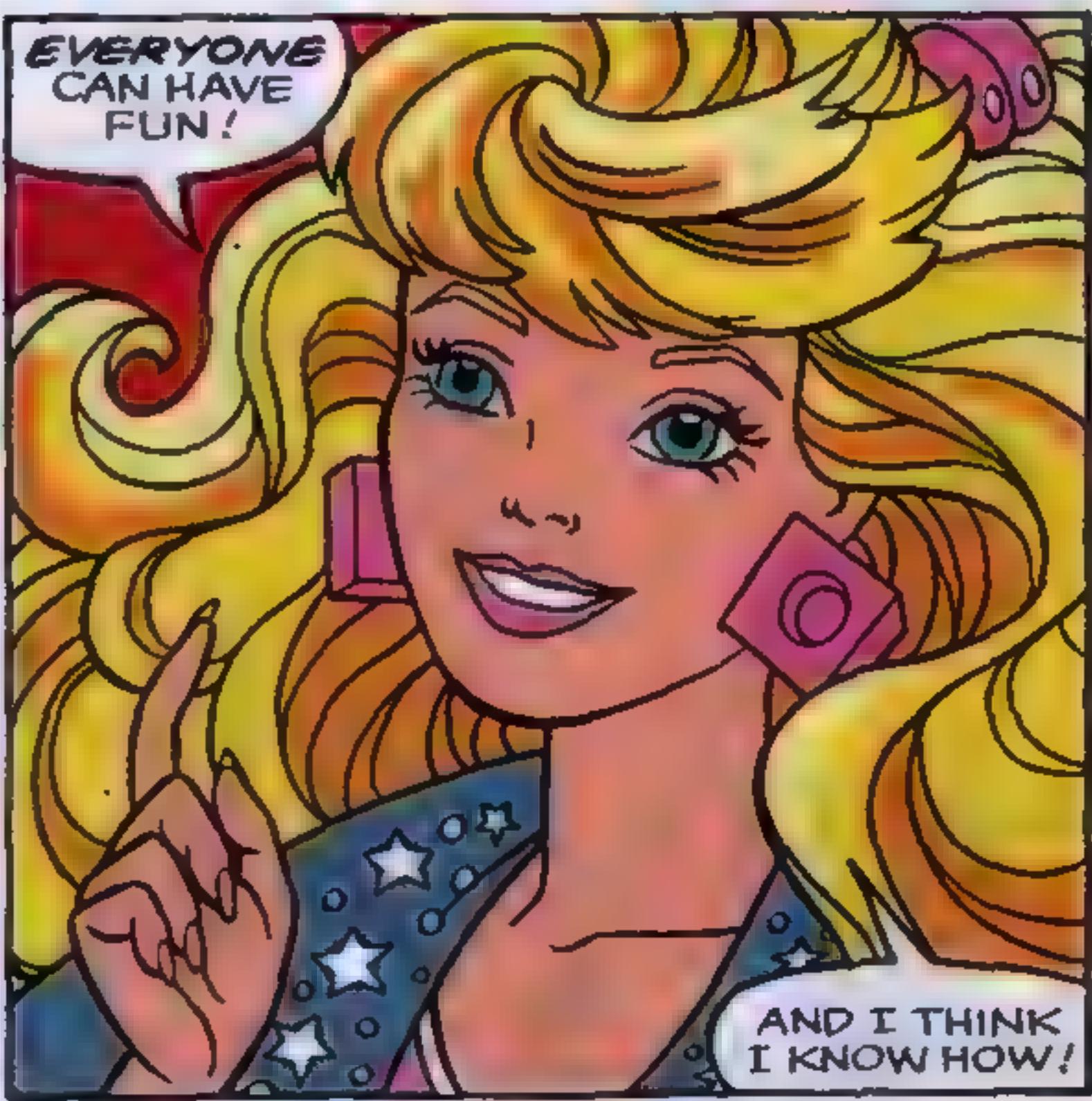
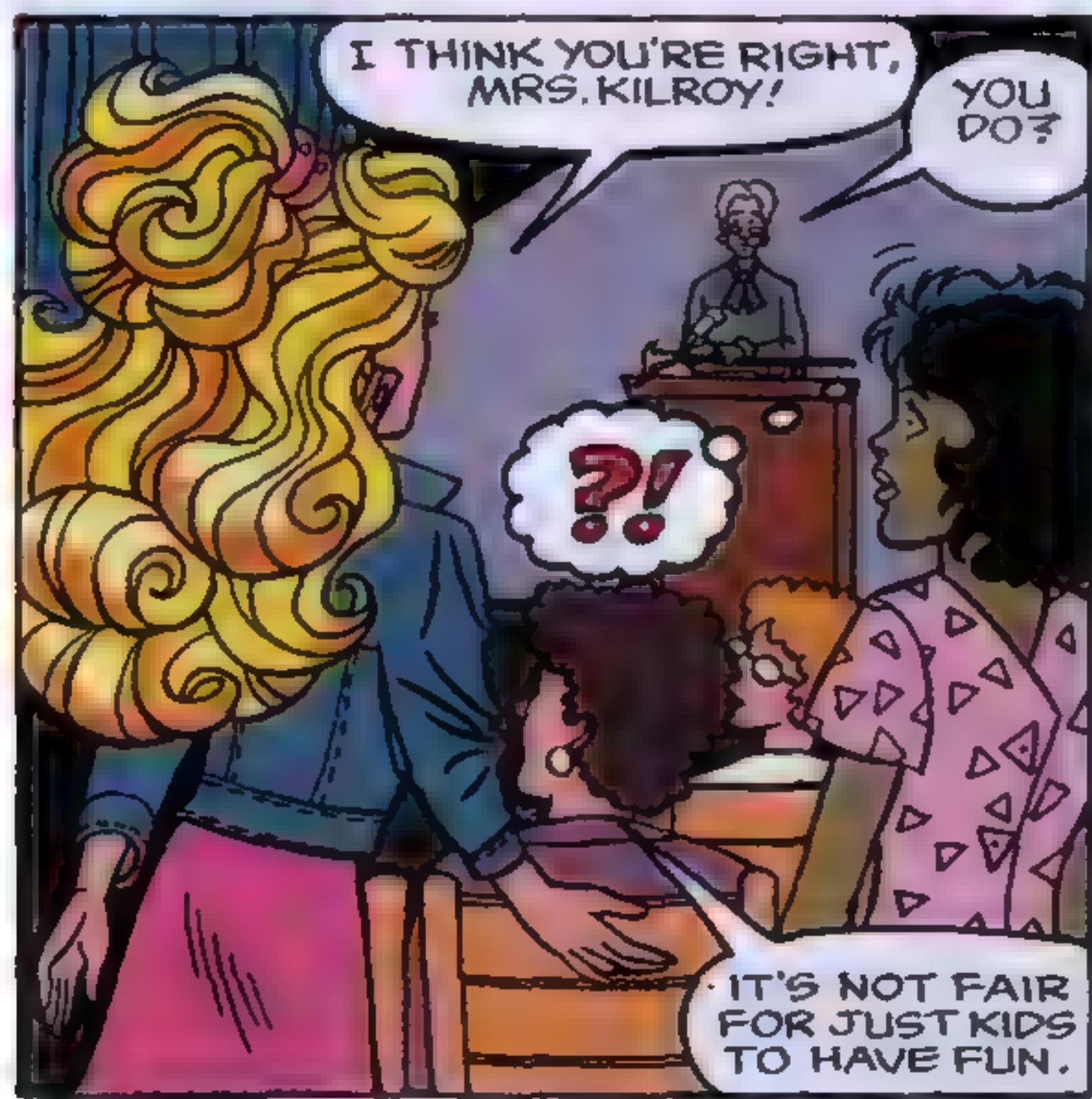
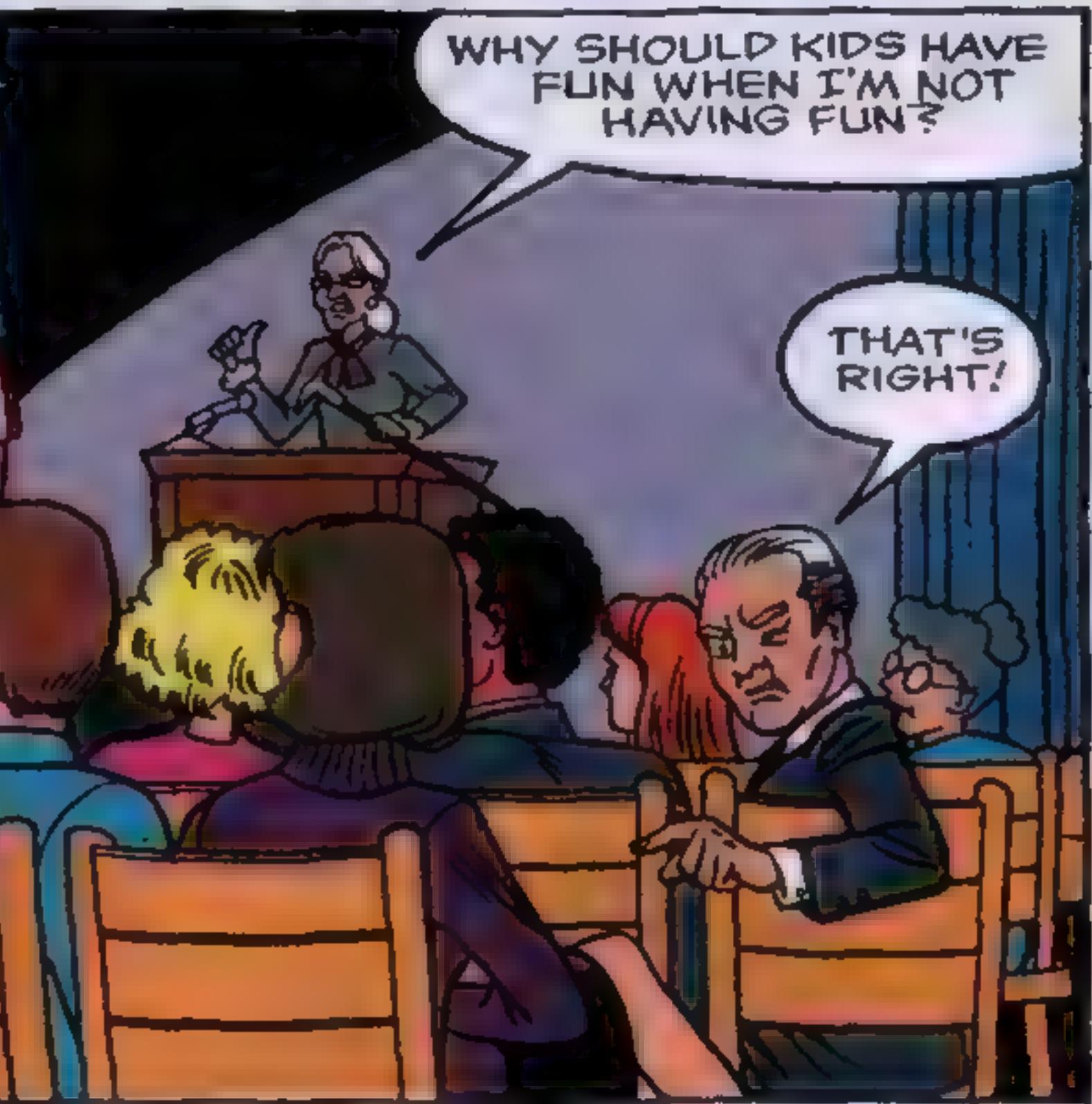
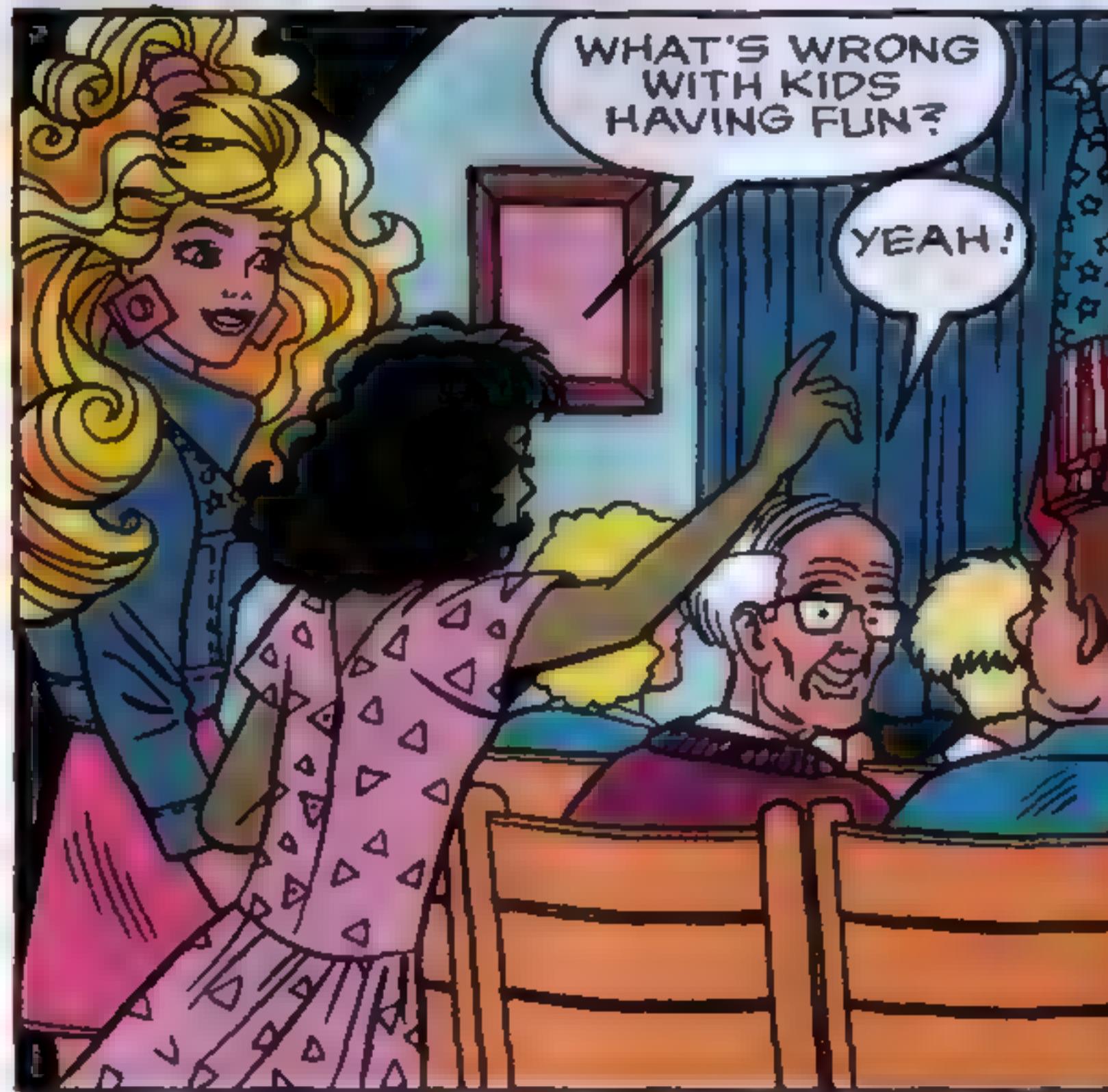
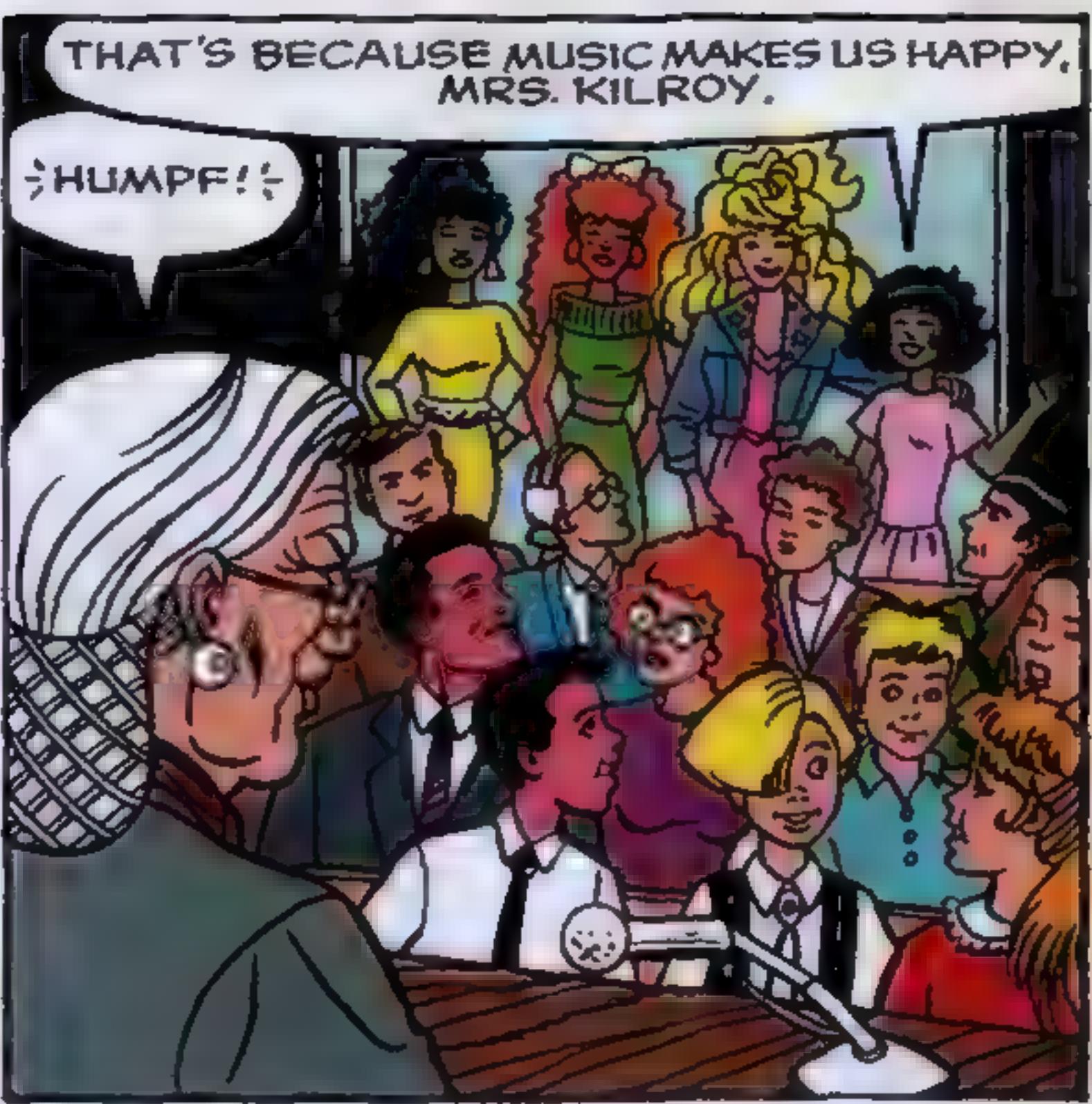
**COOLEST SUMMER MOVIES:** *Terminator 2: Judgment Day*, and *Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure 2*. By one of those strange, quirky twists of fate, the kind you usually associate with cheap romance novels, we're doing comic adaptations of both those mega-blockbuster-movies, and they're both on sale this month! What are the odds of that happening—we mention something on the Bullpen Page, and it happens to be on sale that same month. Coincidence...or evidence of the supernatural? We can't say for sure, but there are a few oddsmakers in Vegas who are placing bets against that kind of thing ever occurring again.

**COOLEST THING TO PUT ON YOUR DOOR:** The Mary Jane Watson poster by Joe Jusko, which, by some other freak fit of happenstance, goes on sale this month. You've seen the MARVEL ILLUSTRATED SWIMSUIT ISSUE—but here's your chance to see it as it was meant to be seen. It's so big, it takes up an entire door! If Mary Jane were a real person, it would be as big as life! The poster features the vivacious, bikini-clad MJ, relaxing beneath the comforting wash of a waterfall.

What could be cooler than that?

**COOLEST CONVENTION EVENT:** Mondo Marvel, our newest infotainment extravaganza which we've taken on the road to the major comic conventions, is a live talk show hosted by the ultrapopular Fabian Nicieza. It features music, famous comic writers reading from their works, audience participational contests, commercial skits for real Marvel comics, and other undignified activities. Catch it if you can!

**COOLEST SIGN-OFF:** That's it for another month, and we're outta here.





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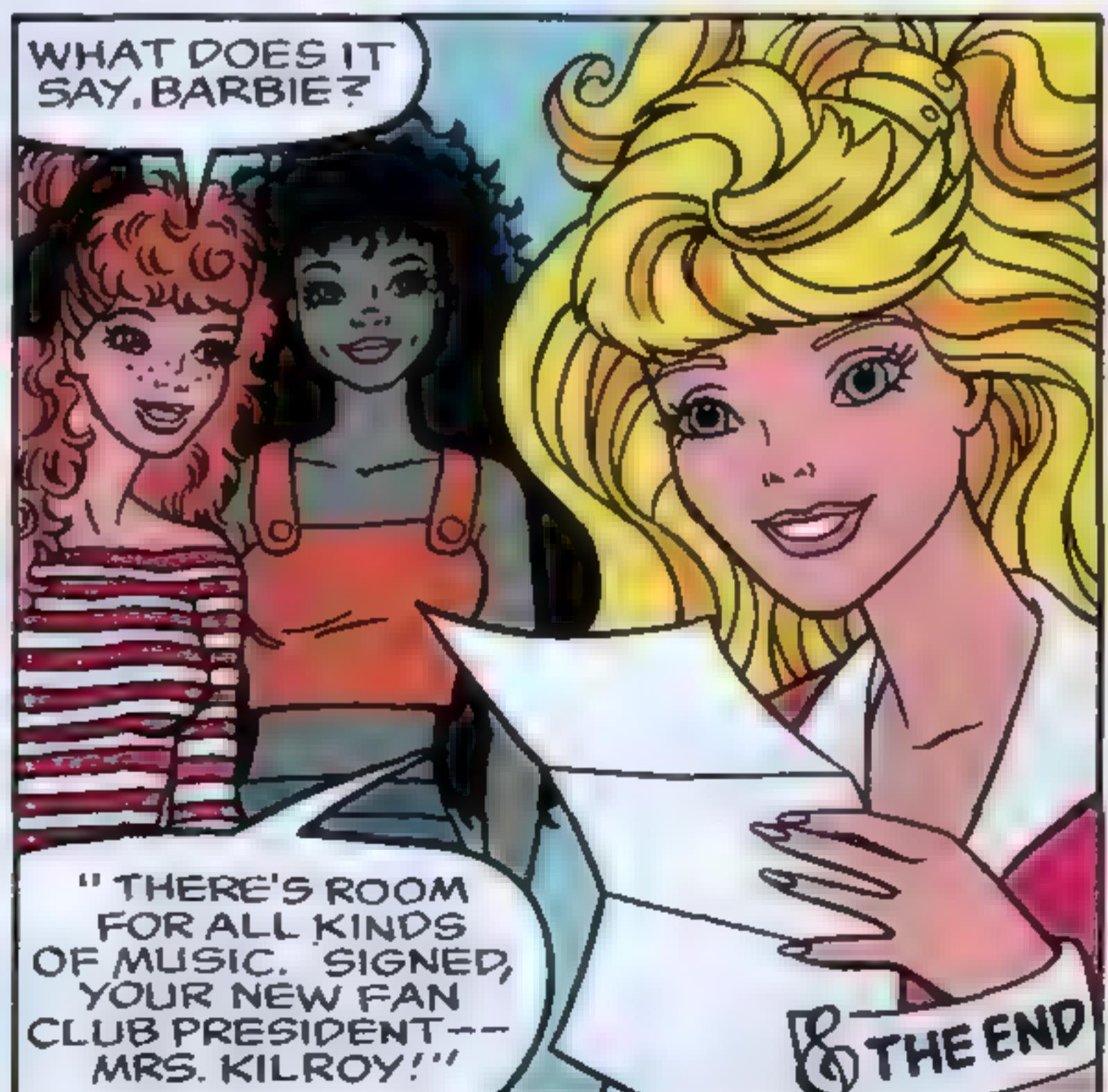
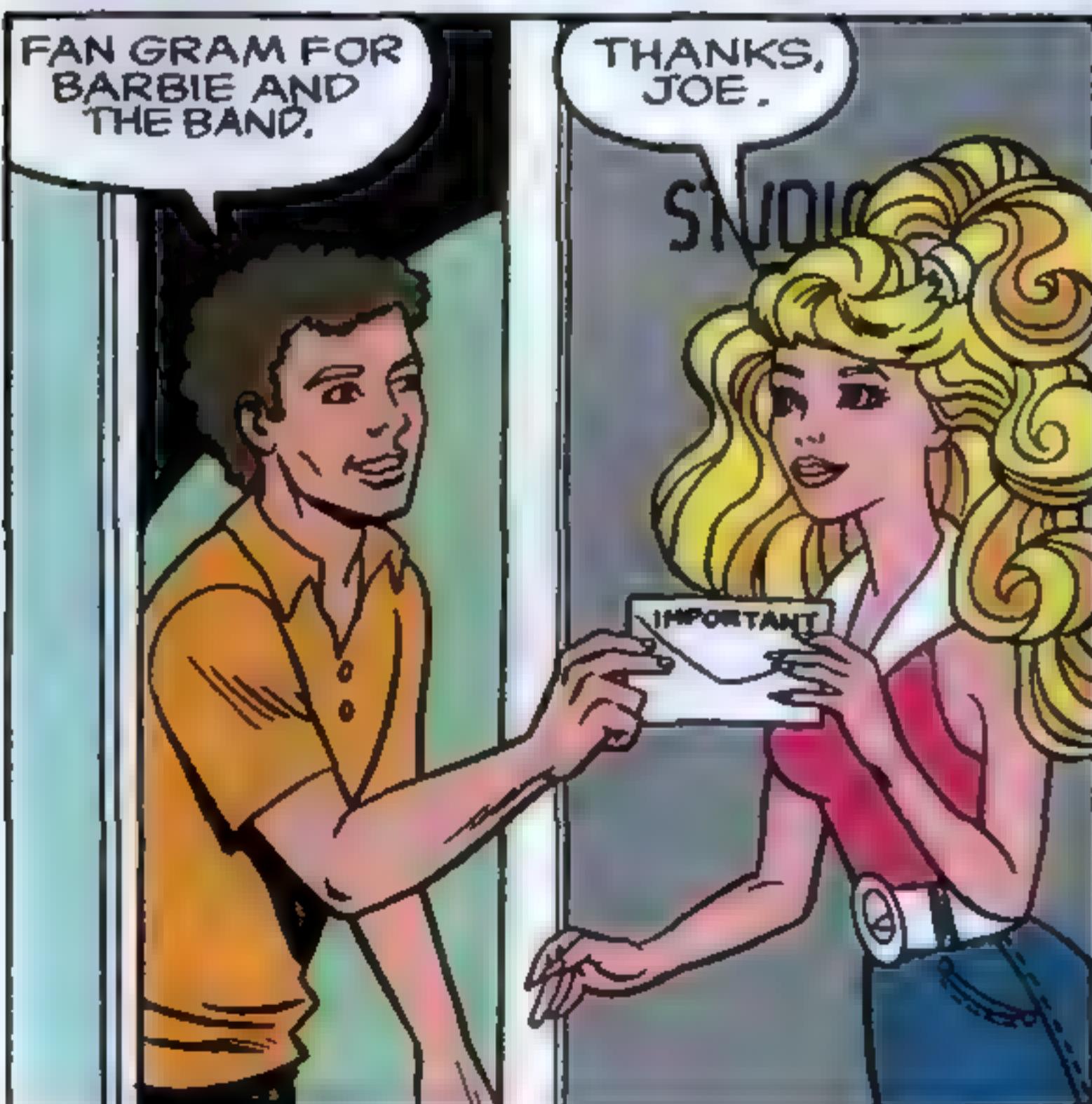
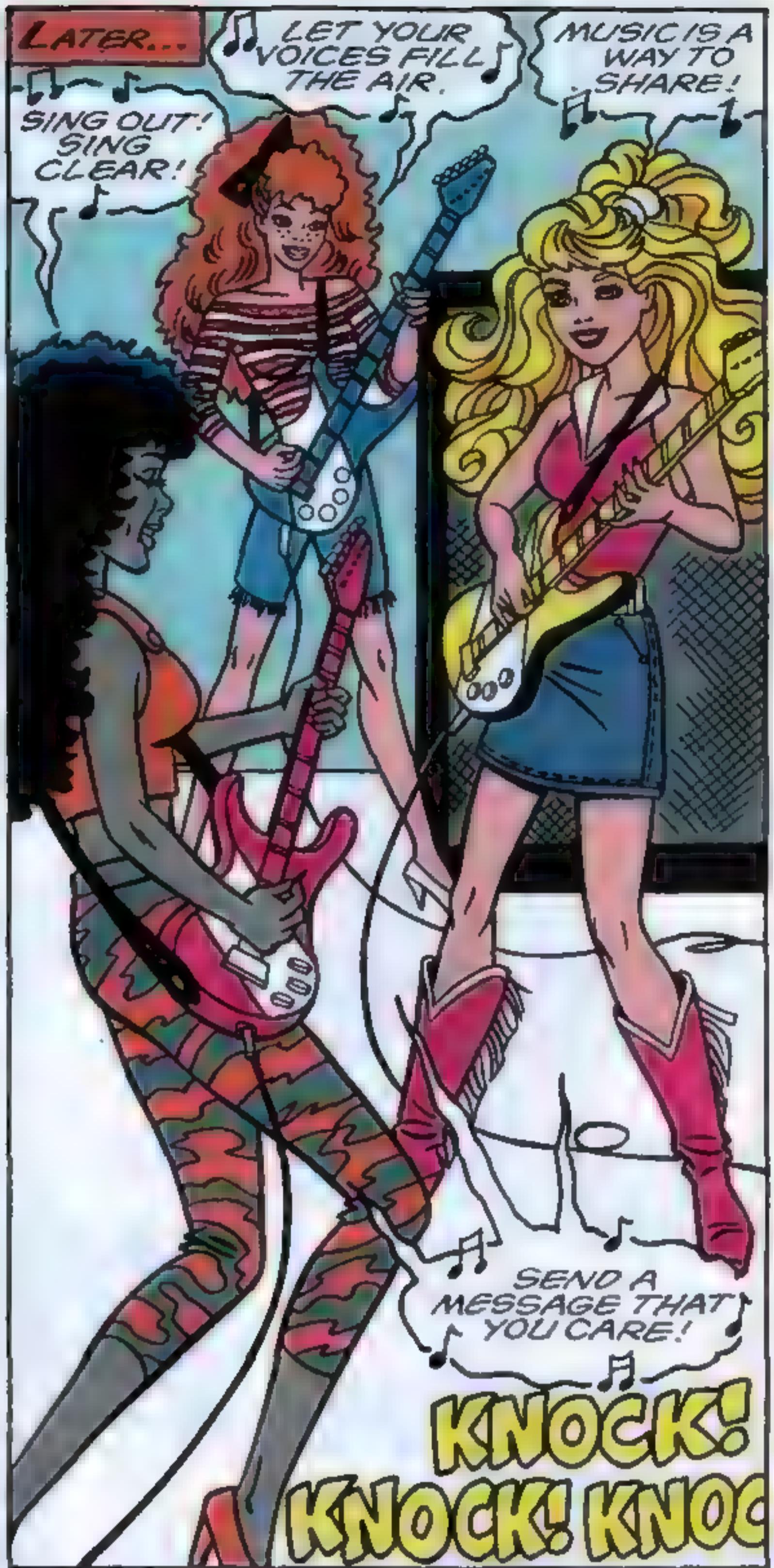
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# LETTERS TO



# Barbie

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Write to: BARBIE Comics, 387 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016

Hey, kids — Since we print your name, age, city and state, please include them on your letters.

Dear Barbie,

How are you? I am fine. My name is Sabrina Mae Owens. I like your comics very much. Do you have any more comics? I am 7 years old. My birthday is March 23.

Sabrina Owens  
Marshall Islands

Hope you had a very happy birthday, Sabrina! Yes, there is another BARBIE comic called BARBIE FASHION. You should be able to find it wherever BARBIE is sold!

Dear Barbie,

Hi! My name is Kary and I am 5 years old. I want to know how you got to be Barbie, and how you like Ken.

Kary Taylor  
Age 5  
Lufkin, TX

Hi, Kary! Barbie has always been Barbie. She's worked hard to get to where she is today in her career. Work hard in school and you'll also go great places!

Barbie likes Ken a lot. They have known each other for a very long time! Ken is a very special person to Barbie!

Dear Barbie,

I am a really big fan of yours. I got Wedding Barbie for Christmas. I have over 6 Barbies. My name is Michelle.

Michelle Yatch  
Dover, PA

Thanks for being such a big fan, Michelle!

Dear Barbie,

I would like to know where to buy more comics about Barbie. Where I live they do not sell them.

Jennifer Dias  
Brooklyn, NY

You can subscribe to BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION and receive them at home, Jennifer. Just fill out the subscription form that

you'll find in this comic, and send it to us! Be sure to ask an adult to help you, because subscribing costs money!

To The Barbie Club,

I am a new member of the Barbie Club. I am Shanon Beumbough. I am a good girl. I like your comics. That's it.

Shanon Beumbough  
Costa Mesa, CA

Welcome to the Club, Shanon!

Dear BARBIE Comics,

I am a collector of Barbie dolls and Barbie things. I love the new comics you just put out . . . they're great! (BARBIE and BARBIE FASHION.) I can't wait for the next issues.

In the comics I love the interesting stories and all the neat clothes Barbie wears.

Farrah Mareen, Age 9  
Saskatchewan, Canada

We hope you're enjoying the later issues just as much as you enjoyed the first, Farrah!

is the one who let me join your club. The comics are nice and fun to read. I like you a lot.

How old are you, Barbie? What is your last name? Do you have kids? Is it true you are going out with Ken? Barbie, do you know who New Kids on the Block are? I do. I love them very much. But I like you more. Their names are Danny, Jordan, Jon, Donnie, and the one I like most, Joe McIntrye.

It is fun writing to you, Barbie. When you get a chance would you write back to me? I know you must be very busy. Well, I have to go!

Mindy Johnson, Age 10  
Dalyville, NY

Hi, Mindy! Barbie is more than 10 years old, and no, she doesn't have a last name — because she doesn't need one! We all know exactly who she is! And yes, Mindy, we are very busy. There just isn't enough time to answer everyone's letters! And there isn't enough space to print everyone's fashion designs! So please don't be disappointed if you don't hear from us, or you don't see your fashion design here. We really enjoy looking at all of them! Thanks for sending your thoughts and ideas to BARBIE!

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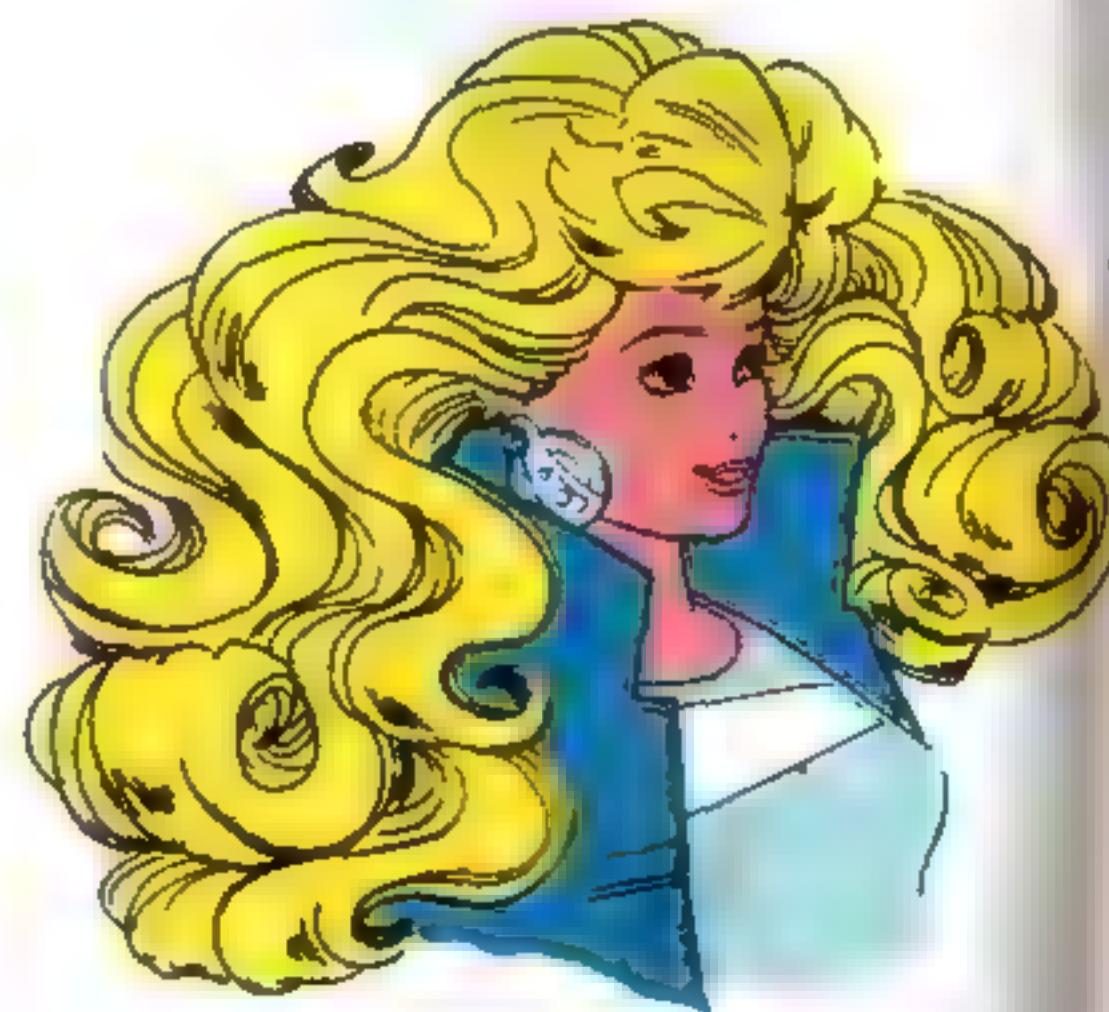
Could you make a magazine that has fashion designs in it? I like to draw fashion designs.

Dawn Uscher  
Oakton, VA

Well, Dawn, BARBIE FASHION features fashion designs! And here on the BARBIE letters page we'll be printing readers' designs, too!

Barbie,

Hi! My name is Mindy Johnson. I am 10 years old. My birthday is on August 30. I am a big fan of yours. I have your first issue of BARBIE. My dad bought it for me. My mom



# Barbie

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A pretty pink jacket with matching leggings and top comes to us from Melissa Kerr in Kernersville, North Carolina. Barbie's sure to be pretty in this perfect pink outfit, Melissa!

From Unisun Kim in Kitchener, Ontario comes this smart-looking casual suit that she calls active day-wear. "I'm so tired of Barbie in tight dresses. Trousers can look great, too!" says Unisun. We agree!



Miss Anne M. Selesky in Hampstead, New Hampshire, sent us several fashions for Barbie. We sure had a hard time choosing! But we know Barbie will love this grey-and-green outfit Anne designed!

Thanks for supplying these really great looks for Barbie! Send your designs for everything from casual clothes and informal dresses to formal evening gowns and beachwear to us at BARBIE, c/o Marvel Comics, 387 Park Avenue South, New York, NY 10016. Be sure to include your name, age, and address! And watch for more fabulous fashions in the future!

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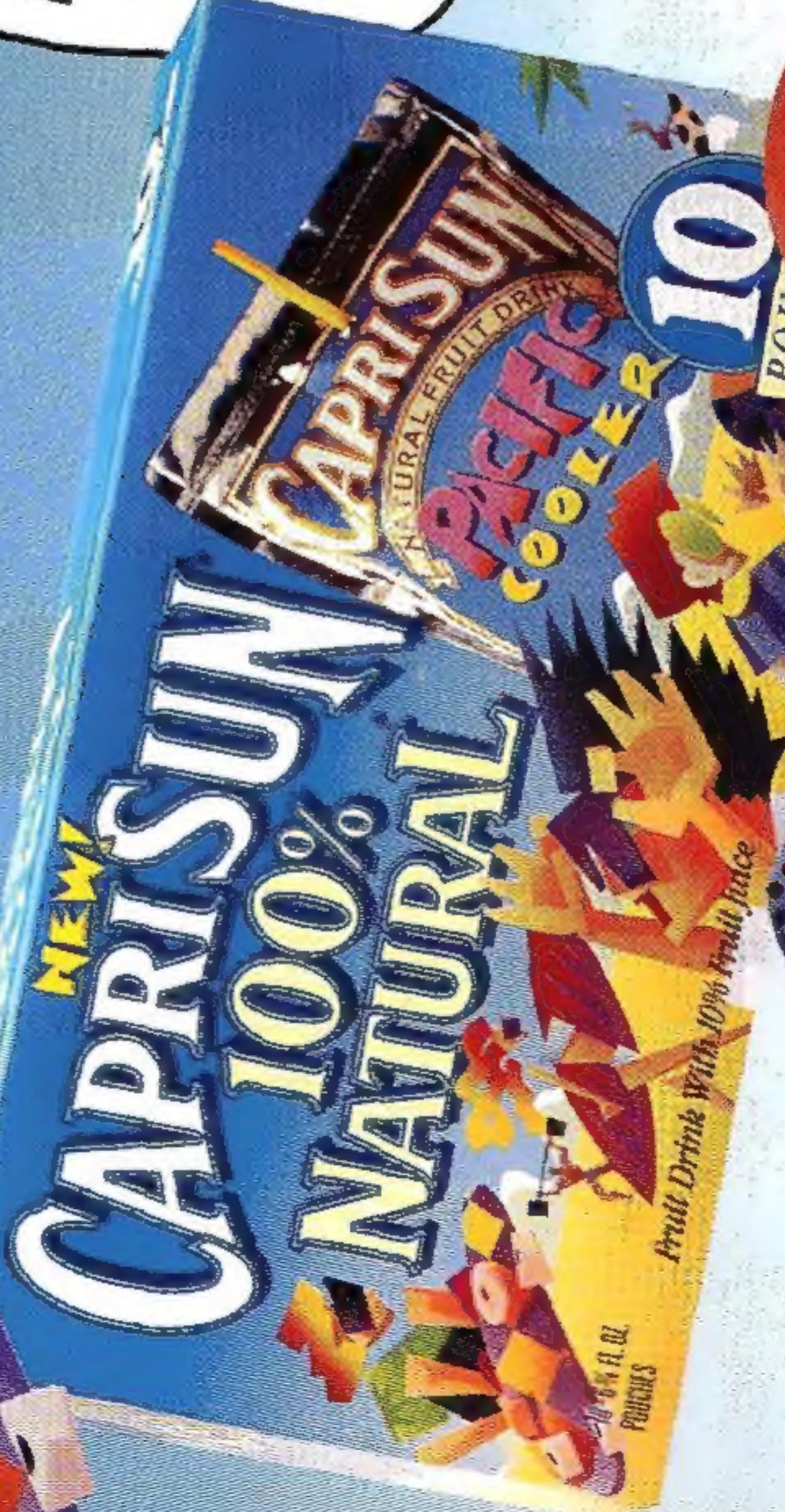
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